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❖ McKINLEYVILLE

Committee slaps down rent control

Jack Durham MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE - The town's advisory committee has shot down a proposal to enact rent control at mobile home parks, but proponents of the idea plan to forge ahead with their efforts to get an ordinance passed.

The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC) on Jan. 21 voted 6-0, with committee member Craig Tucker absent, to oppose rent control. All committee members present, including non-voting member Greg Orsini, were unanimous in their opposition to rent control.

Committee members said they were concerned about potential conflicts, costs and the unintended consequences of a rent stabilization ordinance.

The advisory committee's recommendation against the proposal will be forwarded to the county Board of Supervisors. In order to enact rent control, supervisors would have to pass an ordinance that would apply to all of unincorporated Humboldt County. It would not affect parks in cities such as Arcata and Eureka, which would have to pass their own ordinances if they want rent control.

The idea for rent control was proposed by several residents of Ocean West Senior Village at 1090 Murray Rd. in McKinleyville. A corporation called Inspire Communities is in es-

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Bolman fired for criticism

Administration e-mails reveal dispute over remarks about minority support

Paul Mann MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT STATE - Native American science educator Jacquelyn Bolman was fired last fall by Humboldt State Univer-

for allegedly discrediting one of the university's minority support programs.

Bolman's criticism a serious

sity President Lisa Rossbacher threat to the university's future grant funding and hastened to expel her.

Internal campus documents HSU officials considered and email correspondence released under the California government request establish that Bolman assailed the HSU administration of former President Rollin Richmond when she filed a status report to federal officials in Sacramento about LSAMP, shorthand for Louis

Public Records Act via a student

Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation. It takes its name from a former leading black member of Congress from Ohio.



in their problematic Valley West lair and then rehomed.

Feral cat colony gets one-woman intervention

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - Rex, Mel, Gary, Big Gray Dude, Howard Johnson and Harmony, a very pregnant Calico, are among the feral cats recently rescued from a vacant lot in Valley West. With complaints mounting, an emergency cat-trapping operation there has kicked into high gear.

The lot at 4635 Valley West Boulevard is just under an acre in size, and for sale at \$135,000. It is located between two medical buildings. A grassy expanse on the street side gives way to dense foliage on the freeway-facing end, and that's where a colony of

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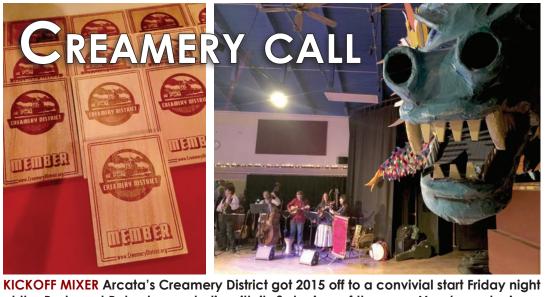




THIS PORTRAIT of dismissed **Humboldt State administrator** Jacquelyn Bolman hangs over a small altar in the occupied Native American Forum.

Bolman, director since 2005 of the university's Indian Natural Resource, Science and Engi-

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at the Redwood Raks dance studio with its first mixer of the year. Members, denizens and others noshed tasty hors d'oeuvres and guzzled Humboldt Cider Company cider while enjoying the music of Chubritza. Creamery District memberships start at \$25, and come with a plaque laser cut by Stuart Juodeika at Marimba One on donated hardwood using a design by artist Lush Newton. creamerydistrict.org

'Banner year' for tourism

Daniel Mintz Mad River Union

HUMBOLDT - The director of the

county's tourism promotion agency has reported that last year was "a banner year," with bed tax collection increasing by 11.6

percent. The Board of Supervisors fielded an annual report from the Humboldt Convention and Visitors Bureau at its Jan. 20 meeting. Bureau Director Tony Smithers said Transient

Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenue,

ly hotel room rates, rose significantly in the last fiscal year, which ended in June. Arcata's TOT collection rose by

\$200,000, to \$1.2 million. Countywide,

the increase amounted to \$535,430, bringing the total up to \$5.6 million.

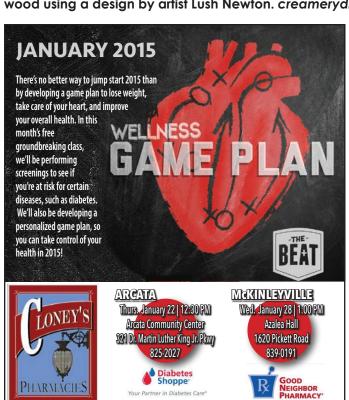
The trend has continued into the first three months of the current fiscal year,

said Smithers, with countywide TOT collection rising by 10.8 percent.

The TOT revenue goes to city and county governments and a portion of it funds the bureau's tourism marketing work. Smithers said the bureau's website, its presence at trade shows and its coordi-

Tony Smithers nation of print and online media which is culled from fees added to nightreporting have helped raise the county's profile among potential visitors.

> This year, the bureau "bit the bullet" and pledged financial support for an ef-TOURISM ❖ A2







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BL man arrested twice in Arcata with heroin

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ARCATA – A Blue Lake man was arrested on Spear Avenue Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 21, with half a pound of heroin. After posting bail, the suspect resumed his activities and was arrested again early Sunday morning with a quarter pound of of heroin.

At about 3:20 p.m. on Jan. 21, an officer with the Arcata Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 3500 block of Spear Avenue.

Based upon the observation of marijuana in the vehicle, the officer conducted a search of the driver and the vehicle.

Approximately half a pound of heroin, packaged for sales, was found on his person.

Additional heroin and several grams of methamphetamine were located in a pouch that he had hidden in his clothing and two pounds of vacuum sealed and packaged marijuana was located in the vehicle.

Also found on his person was over \$1,700 that was later seized as evidence of narcotic sales. The heroin has an approximate street value in excess of \$12,000.

The driver of the vehicle, Blue Lake resident Robert Louis Huntzinger, 33, was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on suspicion of possession of a narcotic for sales, transportation of a narcotic, possession of marijuana for sales, transportation of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance.

The suspect posted bail and had another interaction with police over the weekend.

At approximately 2:30 a.m on Sunday, Jan. 25, an officer with the Arcata Police Department observed a suspicious vehicle parked in the parking lot of a closed business in the 600 block of Samoa Boulevard.



Robert Willie

Huntzinger **Jamerson**

When the officer attempted to contact the two men associated with the vehicle, they both fled on foot. Additional officers responded to the area and the two men were eventually located and detained.

During the subsequent investigation, ap-

proximately a quarter of a pound of heroin, packaged for sales, was located. Additional heroin and several grams of methamphetamine were also found, along with a large number of prescription pills, marijuana and concentrated cannabis.

The driver of the vehicle, Huntzinger, was arrested on suspicion of possession of narcotics for sales, possession of narcotics, commission of a felony while on bail and possession of a controlled substance.

Willie Jamerson, 55, of McKinleyville, was also arrested for an outstanding warrant.

Both men were booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility.

TOWN HALL MEETING State Senator Mike McGuire has announced that he will host a town hall meeting in Eureka Saturday, Feb. 7 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center, 921 Waterfront Dr. The event will be an opportunity to discuss and receive updates on the top issues facing Eureka, Humboldt County and Northern California residents.

Tourism | Want to take a tour on the 'canni-bus'?

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fort that could make Humboldt more accessible to travelers – raising money for a revenue guarantee to help recruit a new airline to the county's main airport.

Smithers said the bureau has committed to coordinating \$500,000 in contributions over the next two years, with half of it coming out of its own budget. This year, the bureau's \$100,000 contingency fund is "in the pot," he continued, and another \$25,000 will be extracted from its operating budget.

Travel to trade shows and conferences has been cut and "of course next year, when we don't have that contingency reserve, we'll have to do some real belt-tightening," Smithers said.

He added, "We'll come back and get your input on what we should and shouldn't be doing."

Aside from redwoods, one of the county's most widelv-known attributes is marijuana. When Supervisor Rex Bohn asked whether marijuana-related tourism will be promoted, Smithers initially joked about it.

"Do you want to take a tour on the canni-bus?" he asked.

He said marijuana tourism is actually in a discussion phase among the bureau's board members but, "we do not have our marching orders to explore this particular market yet."

Smithers acknowledged that there's a lot of speculation on Humboldt becoming the "next Napa Valley" for marijuana and "there are people out there who have business plans written and they're getting into this business whether you or the bureau like it or not."

If marijuana becomes more of a tourist attraction, it will be considered for marketing, Smithers said. "My issue has always been we're a family destination and how do we play those two things off against one another," he continued. "We've have to be very careful with it."

Also at the meeting, supervisors unanimously approved a resolution that offers the state a portion of the gravel lot next to the county courthouse in Eureka for construction of new courtrooms.

The resolution notes that there is a shortage of courtroom space. Whether or not the state is open to the offer won't be known until sometime next year, when the state enters a new budget cycle.

McKMAC | Mobile home owners to continue their fight

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crow to purchase the park from the Swanlund Family. Residents are concerned been raised based upon the Bay Area Conthat there may be significant rent increas- sumer Price Index, which can range from 1 es when the new landlord takes over. The same company purchased the Lazy J Ranch mobile home park in Arcata in November

Some have claimed that rents were jacked up by 10 percent or more, with some pegging the individual increases at \$100 a month or more.

But at last week's meeting, Erik Rollain of Inspire Communities told the McKMAC that the increase at Lazy J was \$20 a month per space. That's about a 5 percent increase.

Rollain said that while the company increased the rents, it's also investing about \$240,000 into the Lazy J Ranch, improving fences and roads. It also plans to build a clubhouse, he said.

When escrow closes on Ocean West, the company will likely raise the rents, although Rollain said he doesn't know how

One of the factors that will influence the increase is the new owner's higher property taxes. Under Prop. 13, properties are taxed on their assessed values at time of purchase, with the amount increasing by only 1 percent a year. When the 36-year-old park changes hands, its assessed value will dramatically increase. Rollain said that the property tax increase alone would probably come to about \$30 per home in the park.

Rents at Ocean West have traditionally percent to 3 percent a year.

Don Smith, the manager of Swanlund Properties, said the family has decided to sell Ocean West because there's no one else other than himself to run the business.

The family, he said, was very careful in choosing a buyer, which had to be someone responsible who would properly manage the park.

The threat of rent control being passed in Humboldt County spurred the Western Manufactured Housing Communities Association (WNA) to send out a representative. The WNA is a trade association that lobbies on behalf of mobile home park

Doug Johnson, the WNA's senior regional representative for Northern California, warned the McKMAC that rent control would lead to division, lawsuits, higher costs and would split apart communities.

But Ocean West resident Hilary Mosher said that rent control would help protect homeowners.

"We don't want to be gouged, and we don't want to gouge owners," Mosher said.

Mosher said that a corporation can buy a park, raise the rents and there's nothing that mobile home owners can do about it. As she's noted before, mobile homes aren't

really mobile, so homeowners are forced to pay the higher rents and may not be able

"It's undeniable – we have no protec-

Patti Rose, who lives in the Northwood Mobile Home Park off Central Avenue in McKinleyville, said that the owner of her park is very fair, but she's concerned what could happen if someone else were to buy the park. She urged the McKMAC to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to look into the idea of rent control. "This is about our future," Rose said.

Glendale Mobile Estate owner Dwight Mullins provided the McKMAC with a historical perspective, noting that rent control was debated back in the early 1990s. At the time, a doctor had purchased a park and was threatening a large rent increase, Mullins said. Rather than pass rent control, the county created a special committee charged with mediating such disputes. Mullins said the committee worked well.

McKMAC member Pat Barsanti said he liked the idea of such a committee. "I'm in favor of conflict resolution," Barsanti said.

Committee members said they were sympathetic to mobile home owners, but didn't think rent control was the right solu-

Although rent control was smacked down by the McKMAC, Mosher said the movement will continue. Supporters, she

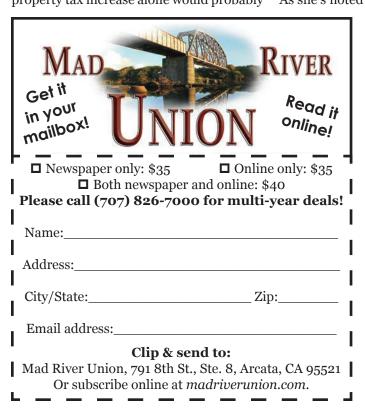
said, are forming a Humboldt County Mobile Home Resident's Coalition. Those interested in joining can email Mosher at hilmosh@gmail.com.

"It was disappointing that McKMAC members used their own personal prejudices in making a decision, instead of representing the welfare of the low- and moderate-income residents of the community, and unbelievably justified it by referring the issue to a now defunct 1994 dispute resolution committee," Mosher stated in an email sent after the meeting. "But this is just the very beginning - McKMAC doesn't stop us from taking this issue to the county Board of Supervisors, it's just the first stop along the journey."

POLICE INVOLVED SHOOTINGS The Jan. 29 Thursday Night Talk will examine the surge in police-involved shootings. Join host Kevin Hoover from 7 to 8 p.m. on KHSU 90.5 FM as he interviews guests Humboldt County Undersheriff Bill Honsal, Eureka attorney Peter Martin and, possibly, others. Call in your questions to (707) 826-4805.

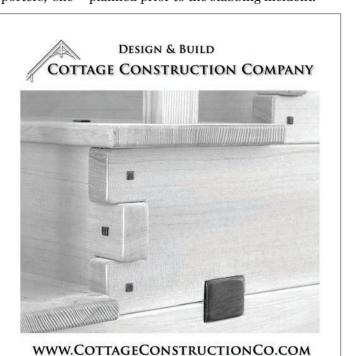
Corrections

A news story last week erroneously stated that the Feb. 3, 10 a.m. "Corner Intentions" event on the Arcata Plaza was a response to a recent stabbing. The event was planned prior to the stabbing incident.





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SOWL OF BEANS The 15th annual Bowl of Beans benefit took place Monday, Jan. 19 at the Arcata Community Center. Attendees admired ceramic bowls made in the Arts in the Afternoon program, left. Proceeds benefit City of Arcata and Arcata Elementary School arts programs. Photos by KLH | Union









BREAKFAST IN BAYSIDE The Bayside Grange hosted the quarterly Breakfast in Bayside Sunday morning. Above left, Maggie Gainer builds breakfast plates while, above right, Marla Joy the Mimosa Meister prepares champagne and orange juice refreshments. Below, Deb Walker and Ginger Campbell sit down to breakfast with a friend. Proceeds benefit the Bayside Grange Restoration Fund. The next Breakfast in Bayside is set for Sunday, April 19. Photos BY KLH | UNION



❖ NATIVE FORUM OCCUPATION

President's letter gets mixed reviews

Paul Mann

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT STATE - A presidential outreach letter hand-delivered to student protesters occupying Humboldt State University's Native American Forum met with mixed reactions at a weekend tribal dinner and open mic session in the contested facility, where about 90 people turned out at the peak of attendance Saturday night, Jan 24.

Students called the letter a start, but not nearly enough.

Wiyot tribal officials and their loved ones, including Tribal Chair Ted Hernandez, attended in solidarity with the occupiers, most of them Native American and other students of color, who began the protest Jan. 19.

"Welcome to our land, welcome to our home," Hernandez proclaimed reverently, then gave a tribal prayer.

HSU President Lisa Rossbacher's remarks when she visited the forum briefly Friday afternoon, Jan. 23, and what she expanded on in her letter "appeared honestly felt by her," an HSU senior of Lakota ancestry told a reporter. "And I believe the administration's effort to set up a meeting with us specifically and firmly [on Feb. 4] is a good move in a positive direction."

Nonetheless, he said, the letter's content and language indicate "the president still fails to understand the deep meaning behind why we're here. It seems as though she has very little understanding of the actual issues that a Native American student or an indigenous student of any kind deals with every day on campus."

Elaborating, he said, "It's not easy to learn that everything you were taught in grade school [about America] is wrong. But it is wrong, and the dominant narrative [in the classroom] is a really negative and oppressive thing that all indigenous people have to live with on a daily basis."

He said Rossbacher and all admin-

quired to take Native American studies courses - at least three - "to internalize and understand better why we're here, why we're so upset."

That would be the perfect start to reaching greater understanding, he said, especially because "this campus is built not only on the land, but on the blood of the tribes of the area."

A white student, a senior named Lexie, agreed. "It would be amazing for them to take even one class, as many of the students allied with us have done. It's so enlightening, not only for the historical background, but for the issues we're dealing with now, and why there's so much need and anger."

Regarding the president's letter, she said, "I was really disappointed. It was disrespectful, I felt, because it did not reflect at all the students' needs. We've been here for a week! If I were president, this would be my number one priority because we are fighting for our education. You would think she would be here every day and meeting with us around the clock.

It is puzzling she is not, Lexie continued, because "we are really open, really loving and welcoming here. All we need is dialogue. Even professors come in and talk to us, or pop in and say, 'Hey, I really support you!' The president's not doing that."

Correctly or not, students sensed Rossbacher was nervous, even afraid, when she visited the forum Friday afternoon. They also felt she could not wait to get away.

Conor Handley, a representative of the United Students of Humboldt, said Saturday night that the immediate issue with Rossbacher's letter was that it was "the first communication we have had all week from the administration."

Like Lexie, Handley believes the president, the provost and other senior officials have been purposely slow to respond, lacking a sense of



Lisa Rossbacher

urgency about what the students believe is the immediacy and seriousness of Native American issues.

"The letter didn't really say anything new," Handley commented. He believes the administration is stalling and the letter's suggestion of a Feb. 4 meeting date demonstrates that.

"They're stalling because they know they don't really have answers. So far they've been very unwilling to compromise, even though we are very willing to work toward a solution. We want to be at the table with them, but in good faith."

Asked how the administration has acted to date, Handley replied crisply, "I feel that they have not been acting at all."

An Arcata High School senior who said she is part Yurok said Rossbacher's letter "sounded kind of like a politician who says she'll give you certain things to appease you, but won't give you what you want. We want change, not appeasement."

Alan Miller, a member of the Wiyot Tribal Council who addressed the assembly with an infant in his arms, praised the students for challenging the status quo.

Emphasizing he was sharing his personal views, not those of the council, Miller said in an interview, "As a Wiyot person, I hope that this doesn't stop here - that the unity of these students spreads to the whole tribal community. That's the beauty of this."

Taking up the issue of whether Rossbacher is hedging, Miller said flatly, "It's horrible that the administration is just trying to play a game. We're getting our [education] programs cut left and right and I feel the administration is just trying to wait the students out. Education is for the people, not for the administration."

Read Rossbacher's letter to student protesters on page A6.

Arcata plans for cannabis future

Tabitha Soden MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Cannabis supporters and cultivators from all over the county gathered at this month's City of Arcata Economic Development Committee meeting. On the agenda was an update about marijuana legislation and related issues.

The discussion, which was supposed to touch on growing locations, marijuana-related businesses and consideration of a joint study session with the Planning Commission, broke down into a roundtable discussion about the future of cannabis in Humboldt County.

Luke Bruner, the business manager of Wonderland Nursery in Garberville and member of California Cannabis Voice Humboldt, led the discussion, which focused around an ordinance the group is drafting to protect local cannabis farmers in the event of new legislation proposed for 2016, which may relax cannabis regulations.

Andre Carey, a member of California Cannabis Voice Humboldt, said, "Without regulation there is no economic development."

The committee was most concerned with how the legislation will affect Arcata and what the landscape of cannabis cultivation will look like.

Committee member Jane Woodward asked the members of California Cannabis Voice Humboldt to come back to the committee with a vision for the city, something the city could be proud of.

Ideas about local farms being all organic were discussed.

Bruner spends some of his time in Sacramento talking to politicians. He said that because California is so big, the legislation that passes may be good for some parts of the state but not good for Humboldt. "Other people's business plan is to shut down the Emerald Triangle," he said.

Richard Marks, a commissioner on the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District is also a member of California Cannabis Voice Humboldt, and is working hard on an ordinance that will prevent trespass grows and protect local cultivators.

The legislation, passed, could impact the city's economic development by turning Arcata into a tourist mecca for those looking to experience high quality, artisan cannabis.

Bruner brought up the idea of a "bud and breakfast" to replace the traditional bed and breakfast. He said Arcata had the potential to be the "Napa of cannabis."

Once California Cannabis Voice Humboldt finishes the draft of its county-centered ordinance, they plan to share it with the committee.





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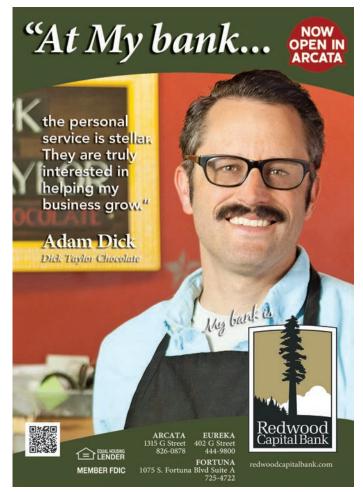
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BOLMAN ALTAR A student at an altar for Jacquelyn Bolman, who was fired from HSU last year.

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❖ NATIVE FORUM OCCUPATION

Students ready to face charges

Paul Mann
Mad River Union

HSU – Students occupying Humboldt State University's Native American Forum say they are entirely willing to be arrested in their bid to force President Lisa Rossbacher to reinstate the Native American director of an Indian science program, Jacquelyn Bolman, who was fired

The students are also demanding the dismissal of a student retention administrator, Radha Webley, whom they accuse of failing to uphold under-represented student rights when she joined in firing Bolman. In one student's words, "Webley must go and she must be replaced."

Campus police, including the chief, met several times last week with the occupying students. "The officers have been very respectful," a male student reported, but he and his colleagues are unhappy that the chief is serving as the go-between with Rossbacher.

Officers have informed the protesters of the legal consequences if their sit-in goes on indefinitely. Activists say they have been told they can be arrested, for example, on trespassing charges. They may also face academic penalties.

Asked if he and his fellow students are prepared to be arrested if it comes to that, the male student answered, "Absolutely. We're all in this 100 percent with our hearts"

But another student of Lakota ancestry was more measured, saying personally he knew of three students who would be willing to face charges.

A female student of Irish/Jewish descent, a junior, said she and her colleagues categorically reject Rossbacher's decision

to use the University Police Chief, Donn Peterson, as the principal contact to date with the protesters.

"We don't plan on using him to relay any further information," she stated. "When you see what has happened in Ferguson [Missouri] recently, and across the country, to the Native American and Latino and black and brown communities – all of these people have had negative experiences with the police throughout their lives and for generations prior. It's very triggering [sic] and traumatizing to see the university treat us in a kind of criminalized way, with armed, uniformed officers coming in here."

Rossbacher visited the forum briefly Friday afternoon, Jan. 23, five days after the sit-in began, thanking the students "for your willingness to work with Chief

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Bolman | Emails shed light on firing, tensions

last semester.

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neering Program (INRSEP) and also LSAMP supervisor, reported in her status update that the Richmond administration had seriously undercut INRSEP by stripping it from the university's College of Natural Resources and Sciences (CNRS) in July 2013. The college, one of three, is considered the most academically rigorous and reckoned to wield the most bureaucratic clout on campus.

INRSEP had been part of the college across some four decades and the college provided the program as much as \$40,000 each year in discretionary funds, according to Bolman and her former students.

The federal evaluation form Bolman filled out for Sacramento officials expressly asked her to identify "any major obstacles/problems/issues" that had cropped up with minority support programs.

Bolman answered that INRSEP had been transferred to a new, unfunded and therefore less potent agency called Retention and Inclusive Student Success (RISS), part of a new Center for Academic Excellence conceived by Richmond in 2013 in his last year as president. At the time, Richmond readily conceded that his administration had failed to raise the retention and graduation rates of Native American and some other students of color, which he regretted remain HSU's lowest. The restructuring he ordered was intended to shore up those rates.

But INRSEP's shift into the new "academic excellence" structure cost it substantial funding with no acknowledgment by Richmond of the importance of maintaining INRSEP's alignment with the university's Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) programs and faculty, according to Bolman. INRSEP students were seriously and permanently undercut in her view.

Further, the administration acted unilaterally, leaving Bolman in the dark, she claims. "I was not informed of the change until approximately June 26, 2013," despite the university's official commitment to greater openness.

Numerous HSU employees have complained for years about poor top-down communication and lack of management transparency, as documented by the university's Cabinet for Institutional Change, which wrapped up its final report in 2010. Its motto was Einstein's maxim, "We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them." In its exhaustive research, the cabinet found that institutionalized secrecy and management surreptitiousness were among Humboldt State's gravest and most enduring flaws.

In a one-on-one interview last week, Bolman recalled that INRSEP students launched a letter-writing campaign in spring 2014 in a bid to reverse their program's diminished standing and resources. Students appealed, to no avail, to CSU Chancellor Timothy White, CSU Trustees and the governor's tribal advisor to reverse INRSEP's demotion.

"It is clear the current [Richmond] administration and leadership do not support under-represented minority students, faculty or staff," Bolman generalized – and grossly overstated, in the administration's view – in her report to Sacramento. To make her case, she reeled off a series of statistics demonstrating that Humboldt State's percentage of full-time faculty and staff of color falls far below statewide and CSU levels, as they have for years despite California's fast-changing and historically-altered demographic makeup.

Bolman's evaluation triggered internal objections that would culminate in her summary dismissal last October by the new Rossbacher administration, installed in July. The firing touched off a series of student protests and demonstrations that resumed Jan. 19 with the occupation of HSU's Native American Forum, where advocates vow to remain until Rossbacher reinstates Bolman as INRSEP's director. The standoff continued as the *Mad River Union* went to press.

Last Sept. 22, Rhea Williamson, dean of the Office of Research, emailed Jenny Zorn, interim provost, stating that Bolman's report to LSAMP officials "makes very disparaging remarks against HSU and, for totally unclear reasons, against me."

Williamson warned that Bolman's criticism could jeopardize future and crucial financial support for Humboldt State's STEM disciplines. "It is really unfortunate language used, in that this type of reporting can affect our ability for future funding [sic] for" STEM and other support for students, she said.

Williamson added, "[I] have no idea where Dr. Bolman got the idea that I am not in support of LSAMP, having supported it and her by providing funding opportunities, working with Sac State to complete reporting paperwork and the like. I also have recommended including her in every proposal that involves under-represented minority STEM students."

However, Williamson did not address Bolman's main point, the downgrade of INRSEP.

Williamson suggested Bolman's report be revised, with the offending passages redacted. She then took aim at Bolman's criticism of her: "My support for under-represented minority STEM students is well-documented, and I take offense at being referenced in the report in the manner done."

What followed continues to reverberate on campus and dog Rossbacher and her executive associates. They have been denounced by faculty and students alike, not only for Bolman's dismissal, but also for the manner in which it was carried out last October by three officials: Acting Provost Jenny Zorn, Interim Associate Vice President for Retention Radha Webley (students are calling for her immediate termination and the dismantling of RISS) and Senior Associate Vice President of Faculty Affairs and Human Resources Colleen Mullery.

Faculty and students roundly condemned the trio's decision to lock down Bolman's quarters, disrupt mid-term studies and exams and order changed locks and reprogrammed key card entrances. Students reportedly were crying, angry and distraught at Bolman's summary ouster.

"All the administration will say is that that's the 'policy' for handling firings," a Native American student said. "It was totally unprofessional and it was done in our home; INRSEP is our home, our student home!" he exclaimed. "All of us felt crushed and helpless that day. We watched the woman who had inspired us and changed every single one of our lives get treated like dirt, right in front of our eyes. It was heartbreaking and all too reminiscent of things in the not-so-distant past that have happened to Indian people here."

Another student commented that the administration's treatment of Bolman "also shows real cultural insensitivity, for many reasons. One is a lack of understanding of inter-generational trauma among Native peoples. Another is the feeling of living in a state of duress on a regular basis, the fear of our education being lost because of a lack of funding. We're constantly living with personal psychological stress." She continued, "They did this [the firing] three days prior to Indigenous People's Week. It was completely insensitive. These administrators just have no idea how to relate to students of color. Although Radha [Webley] is a woman of color, I think in a way she has been thrown under the bus by the administration, used as a scapegoat. At the same time she's supposed to be serving students of color. She's doing a bad job and she's absolutely betrayed our trust. There needs to be a new person in that job." The administration's decision in a campus email to portray the handling of Bolman's dismissal as "a departure," not a firing, drew scathing criticism from faculty. In a private email last Oct. 14, long-time Chemistry Professor Robert Zoellner told Zorn, "Dr. Bolman did not voluntarily depart, she was fired. It seems to me that honesty in this regard



OCCUPATION New HSU Police Chief Donn Peterson holds a dialogue with occupying students in the Native American Forum.

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would be of the utmost importance."

Zoellner asked why no faculty members were consulted until after the fact. "This is a mess," he charged, adding that Zorn's solicitation of faculty advice on how to assist affected students "simply appears to be an attempt to assuage the anger that pervades the campus because of the poorly planned actions of the administrators responsible for Dr. Bolman's firing. In my opinion, this is a case of 'clean up your own mess' for those administrators."

Zoellner wrote separately to Rossbacher and Zorn in defense of Bolman, stating, "I cannot fathom why you would allow her firing." He went on, "The shortsightedness of this decision will damage our university and damage our retention of Native American and minority student science majors. If we are serious about improving our student diversity, and if we are serious about improving the retention of our science majors, the firing of Jacquelyn Bolman is one of the worst things we could do."

Amy Sprowles, assistant professor of Biological Sciences, rebuked the administration both for expelling Bolman and for reorganizing INRSEP. "Clearly something went wrong to rip her out in the middle of the semester, but the fact of the matter is... she built a program whose students were successful, by anyone's standards. Not an under-represented [student] standard, but by my standard as a scientist," Sprowles said.

Humanities faculty were equally distressed. Philosophy Professor John Powell suggested a solution, while also voicing pessimism about the chances for shoring up long-neglected Native American studies and retention. "The political allegiances are terribly tangled," he cautioned in an email to Zorn last fall.

What is required for HSU's Native American leadership, Powell asserted, "is an unquestionable elder who is politically savvy and a heavy academic hitter, with tenure and no debts to locals, to coordinate Indian programs. We have missed getting that so many times now that I am not sure it is still possible."

Powell also had grim words for the leadership. "The provost and the president are going to have to be willing to be schooled regarding the dreadful needs and investment (including tolerance of eight-year graduation plans), and [regarding] what it means to be an Indian whose family means more than a degree," he admonished.

"Native American Studies has been struggling to exist as a separate discipline ever since its inception," laments Marlon Sherman, chair of the Department of Native American Studies and professor of Federal Indian Law. "Our class sections are full, but it's disappointing to me personally because, as successful as that sounds, most of the classes are geared to general education. It looks as if Native American Studies is turning into a service organization. We're serving everybody but indigenous students."

Equally disturbing, the program's faculty ranks remain depleted, Sherman says, which he considers a consequence of 70 years of history in which succeeding HSU administrations offered no recognition of the fact that the university occupies ancient tribal territory. There have been "spurts to augment and protect [the program] over the years, but they have failed to buttress it in a significant way as a long-term solution – which is for the university to kick in some funding for more faculty."

In 1998 there were five full-time faculty in Native American Studies, according to Sherman. "Today there is the equivalent of one-and-a-half. We are way, way, way down."







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In life, you have 3 choices,

GIVE UP, GIVE IN,

or GIVE IT YOUR ALL!



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Native Americans reflect on HSU's troubled past

Paul Mann

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HSU – For intimate reasons of history and geography, Humboldt State University ought to be in the vanguard of Native American studies, a beacon to American Indian students across the country, say campus advocates.

Instead, they rue, for want of an activist administration and a single-minded institutional commitment, Humboldt State's record of support for Native American education across the decades has been irresolute and incoherent. Worst of all, they mourn, the record is as devoid of vision now as in the past. They mourn that what little support is forthcoming is halting and programmatic, bereft of historical and ethnic empathy.

Today's Native American faculty and students decry what they see as the cruel historical irony that for 100 years, HSU has occupied sacred tribal land while for the most part callously ignoring the special responsibility the campus has to Native American students and their tribal communities, not only educationally but also morally.

A full century after HSU's founding, "the Rossbacher administration is completely disconnected from students," says a Native American activist in his junior year who asked that his name be withheld to avoid reprisals by campus officials.

A Shoshone student who is scheduled to graduate in May noted earnestly, "The administration is predominantly, almost entirely white. I wouldn't go so far as to say it is racist, but I would say they are not 21-year-old Native Americans who understand the minds of Native American students or stu-

dents of color. When they create lege's discretionary budget. new structural templates for our programs, they're not consulting us enough. None of us - not even the faculty – were consulted when INRSEP was pulled out of the College of Natural Resources and Sciences" in 2013.

(INRSEP stands for Indian Natural Resource, Science and Engineering Program, intended to encourage Native American students to pursue degrees in those disciplines. Until last fall, its director was Jacquelyn Bolman, who was fired abruptly without public explanation.

"When the INRSEP program was part of the College of Natural Resources, it really helped to strengthen the relationships that a lot of the students had with their professors," the junior pointed out. "That's why we had such a huge rate of acceptance into

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research programs and graduate programs. That is still there for the most part, because of the work that Jacquelyn did. But in the next few years, those two programs will be more separate and without someone like Jacquelyn there leading it, that divide will grow again."

Shorn of the college's support, INRSEP loses the up to \$40,000 in discretionary funding it used to receive from the college for valuable student research projects and undergraduate attendance at science conferences nationwide, the junior stated. Although HSU officials insist INRSEP's dedicated budget remains the same, he argues that this claim is absurdly beside the point when INRSEP's transfer to another agency robs it of access to thousands in the col-

Apart from the fact that students had no say in INRSEP's demotion, they charge that the far broader problem is that they have scant influence on any top level decision-making, despite HSU's regularly advertised claim that it is "a student-centered university."

"The student input we do bring to the table is minimal," the Shoshone senior stated, including service on university hiring committees, known on campus as search committees.



A SIGN at the Native Forum. KLH | UNION

The presence of a lone undergraduate on such panels is tokenism, students charge, and they point to what they consider to be an insoluble dilemma. If they refuse to serve as tokens, they have no voice; if they agree to be tokens, they are axiomatically co-opted by the administration and by California State University's executive authoritarianism, which invests campus presidents with overarching power in loco parentis.

The membership of HSU

search committees is mostly white because the campus has so few faculty and staff of color, in students' view. "Search committees that are lily white are simply not going to hire that many people of color," asserts the Native American junior.

Gnarled bureaucratic politics and executive arrogance aside, Native American faculty and students point out that they grapple with unique curricular obstacles. "One of the reasons Native American studies has such a hard time

is that what we teach does not generally fit within the mold of other campus disciplines," explains Marlon Sherman, chair of HSU's Department of Native American Studies and professor of Federal Indian Law. Many of HSU's other academic departments resist Native American classes because they do not want interdepartmental competition for resources and undergraduates, he says. "Departments such as History resisted indigenous history classes as rivals for years."

Another bone of contention is that Native American research techniques differ from customary research methods,

according to Sherman. "We advocate activist research. That is, our students are taught to practice outside the classroom what they study. [Student] researchers should do more than study communities; they should ask what forms of help are needed. And the communities should be part of the research, not just the subjects of it. This gives Native American studies their unique identity."

But that distinct identity flies in the face of highly intense academic pressure for conformity and for bowing to received wisdom, perhaps a key factor in the Rossbacher administration's decision to fire Bolman as INRSEP's director. Students certainly believe so.

In the words of one student, "From our perspective, when you look at the facts [of what Bolman reported to federal officials about INRSEP's demotion], it's absolutely the truth. The problem wasn't Bolman, the problem was the administration doesn't support students of color and it doesn't support the INRSEP program. Our director was fired for talking about it," abridging her right to free speech.

Despite the activists' ire, the Shoshone student said she feels some compassion for Lisa Rossbacher, recognizing that the new president, who took over in July, probably lacked knowledge of the background that led up to the Bolman controversy and, in turn, the unprofessional handling of it.

"I do not think that [the president] was briefed," either by Chief of Staff Denice Helwig or by other high-ranking administration officials, this student speculated. "I think she was left in the dark. She turned to people she thought she could trust. But before Bolman was fired," the student emphasized, "the president still had an obligation to consult with us about such an important matter. And the president should have researched what Jacquelyn Bolman brought to the university, and the ways in which she empowered students. She was the heart of our Native American community and the administration ripped that out. We're replacing that heart with our own, but it's still traumatic."

Charges | Students issue demands

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Peterson over the last week," according to a university news release. "Your discussions with him have been enormously helpful," the president was quoted as saying.

In a hand-delivered letter she presented to the students when she dropped by (see accompanying story above, read the letter on page A6), Rossbacher repeated the administration's stance since Bolman's termination four months ago that by law, personnel issues cannot be discussed publicly. "My doing so would violate the Constitutionally protected privacy rights of the employees involved, as well as university policy and state and federal law," she restated.

Rossbacher did not address strong student and faculty objections to how Bolman's firing was carried out (see story on page A1).

The reason for Bolman's dismissal and the background that led to it are publicly available in internal campus e-mails obtained under a California Public Records Act request filed by students and reportedly posted on Facebook last Dec. 24. The Mad *River Union* obtained copies of the records.

Students again rejected Rossbacher's entreaties Friday to yield to the administration's request that they leave the forum, which they have renamed the Jacquelyn Bolman Forum.

"Perhaps you are unaware," the presi-

dent wrote, "but your staying in that space after the official closure of the building [the students hold sleepovers] is against university policy. More importantly, I know you are aware that your prolonged presence in that space during other scheduled events is disrupting the university's instructional program, and this interferes with the academic experience and success of other students."

Rossbacher held out olive branches, saving she would like to work collaboratively on current and future budget and programming issues for Native American and other students of color, based on what she called "a shared plan." She also offered to discuss multiple-use objectives for the forum other than ongoing instruction.

The president suggested scheduling a joint meeting on the afternoon of Wednesday, Feb. 4, "to discuss next steps." From her point of view, she stated, "The ideal outcome is that we have a productive discussion and can develop plans to move forward in our conversation and planning."

Protesting under the banner of The Unified Students of Humboldt, advocates are demanding not only Bolman's reappointment and Webley's termination, but also:

- Restoration of \$40,000 to HSU's Indian science program and full funding of all diversity programs
 - "Full and effective" student participa-

tion in transparent hiring practices of all HSU staff, faculty and administrators."We as students demand equal voting power on hiring, promotion, tenure committees and dismissal procedures in selecting and dismissing HSU staff, faculty and administrators, to ensure greater diversity at HSU."

· Dissolution of RISS (Retention and Inclusion of Student Success), led by Webley, and return of the programs it supports to their respective colleges. "Faculty, staff and students who operate and participate in these programs should [have] the ultimate say in the fate of their programs."

These are revised demands, issued late last week, that omit a prior ultimatum to rename the Native American Forum the Bolman Forum.

The protesters adamantly deny the administration's contention that their occupation is blocking instruction and classes in the facility. They insist classes can continue to take place (and have) in their presence, that they are respectful and quiet when

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teaching is in progress. The administration moved multiple classes to other buildings last week, however, which the students argue is unnecessary.

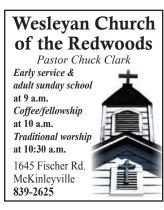
Although the protestors are aware that the administration hopes to wait out the occupation until it fizzles, they express confidence they can go the distance. Only a dozen or so students - out of a student population of some 8,000 - are present in the forum at any given hour of the day.

But the occupiers claim wider support. One of them said, "We are being approached by many students, students of every color, who are very supportive of us. They're considering ways independently to stand in solidarity with us. How that happens is really up to them. Already they have been bringing us food here [in the forum] and asking us what we need."

Note: Paul Mann served as a Humboldt State University public relations officer from 2003 to 2014. – Ed.

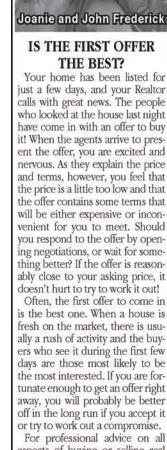
Student Savings

Saturdays!











STEELHEAD DAYS









A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT Steelhead Days in Blue Lake began last Saturday and included a fishing contest on the Mad and Eel rivers. Many fishermen crowded the banks below the Blue Lake fish hatchery and many left the river with "keeper" steelhead. Above right, J.J. Jimenez of Trinidad had to be satisfied with catch-and-release of a large male hatchery salmon. Top left, volunteer Melissa Whitfield of Arcata held a Western screech owl at the Humboldt Wildlife Care Center's demonstration. Above left, Joseph Cohee of Arcata, head chef at the Mad River Brewery, won first place at the third annual North Coast Big Brothers Big Sisters BIG chili cook-off and fundraiser. Top, anglers enjoy the Mad River in Blue Lake.

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Neely hired to market pulp mill site; 'severe' shoaling at harbor entrance

Benjamin Fordham Mad River Union

HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District has agreed to retain former Humboldt County Supervisor Bonnie Neely in

an effort to help it market the former Samoa pulp mill site.

During its Jan. 22 meeting, the district's commission voted unanimously to

retain Neely, who currently works for the law firm Nossamon, LLP.

"I'm looking forward to helping the district, and I'm excited you bought the property," Neely told the commission via a conference call during the meeting.

Neely previously spent 24 years on the Board of Supervisors and 12 years on the California Coastal Commission.

She also currently works as Humboldt State University's coastal consultant. The commission agreed that Neely's expertise and experience will help the district repurpose the pulp mill into a proposed eco-industrial park.

"I see this as absolutely essential," said Commissioner Pat Higgins of retaining Neely's services. "Bonnie certainly has the contacts and skillset to help us."

EPA update

The commission also received an update during the meeting from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) spokesperson Chris Wheden, who reported the EPA is planning to remove the remaining toxic sludge from the pulp mill site in the coming months.

Wheden said that the EPA will be solidifying the sludge so that it can be legally transported to a disposal facility.

The EPA hopes the sludge will be able to be reduced, when solid, to a pH of above

Anything below that and the sludge will have to go to a hazardous waste facility, which would "obviously be a lot more costly," Wheden said.

Wheden also said that the contract worker who fell into one of the pulp mill's holding tanks last November was able to avoid serious injury, and returned to work the next day.

"He's doing fine," Wheden said.

Timber Heritage Society purchase

The commission also voted to sell 8.3 acres on the Samoa peninsula to the Timber Heritage Society, something that has been in negotiation for some time. The acreage also includes some buildings and shops. The move was applauded by members of the public, and Commissioner Greg Dale

said the move has been "a long time coming."



Bonnie Neely

Staff reports

During staff reports, bar pilot Tim Petrusha told the commission that there is some "pretty severe shoaling" in the harbor entrance, and that the dredge

Essayon out of Portland will be unable to work until at least June due to a pending lawsuit.

Petrusha said that the California Redwood Company recently hired local engineering firm SHN to sound the depth in the entrance and found it to be between 37 and 37.5 feet, much shallower than the maximum dredge depth of 48 feet.

The California Redwood Company has five vessels scheduled to come into the bay this year, and Petrusha and the district's Executive Director Jack Crider said the shoaling could impact the amount the vessels can carry through the harbor entrance. "Until this gets taken care of, they're going to have to load less," Crider said.

Director of Facilities Maintenance Alan Bobillot reported that CalFire work crews have finished removing the dilapidated wire deer fence from Woodley Island, and that the fence will be replaced with a more wildlife-friendly fence.

Bobillot said the old barbed-wire fence was dangerous, calling it "pretty much a livestock fence."

President Marks

The commission also voted to retain Commissioner Richard Marks as President, commissioner Higgins as Vice President, and Commissioner Dale as Secretary for another year.

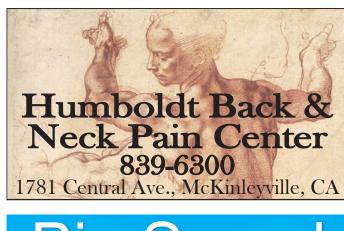
"I've been honored to be sitting in this position this past year," Marks said. humboldtbay.org

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Fake IRS and cable guys demand immediate payment or else, lady

• Wednesday, January 7 11:40 a.m. Hunters blasted their mighty guns – skyward, it is hoped – just over the fence from a Bayside school.

1:03 p.m. A parent confiscated a son's cell phone, which was receiving texts from someone he knew who was offering drugs for

2:23 p.m. A man with a Middle Eastern accent called an 18th Street resident claiming to be an IRS representative named James Brown. He told her a warrant for her arrest would be issued unless she paid back taxes. These and similar fake PG&E collection calls are becoming rather common.

5:06 p.m. A man keeps going into a Plaza restaurant, acting weird and touching guests. He's been asked not to come back, but isn't getting the message.

7:13 p.m. A drunk approached a stranger on the Plaza and accused him of wearing a friend's stolen jacket.

• Thursday, January 8 9:44 a.m. A truck bed on Valley West was relieved of a pitchfork, rake and fuel.

10:38 a.m. A Plaza bank was briefly evacuated when someone came in, dropped a duffel bag and

12:50 p.m. A crossbow operator used the Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary as a practice range.

3:14 p.m. A caller reported a strongarm robbery in Valley West, during which he was struck in the face several times and muscled out of his cell phone.

3:23 p.m. A Westwood-area apartment manager complained

about travelers doing the whole in Valley West deteriorated to the noisy-smelly-trashy lowlife thing in and around the property.

3:52 p.m. A man with buzz-cut hair and a goatee tried the door of a car containing a boy who was

waiting for his mom to come out from the Post

7:59 p.m. After taking possession of a dog from a man in Valley West, a woman was observed beating it behind a store

10:01 p.m. The disquieting sounds of an animal screaming were heard on M Street, followed by growling noises.

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POLICE LOG

• Thursday, January 9 8:59 **a.m.** A man swung his cane at someone's dog at a Valley West motel, an inappropriate gesture

2:44 p.m. Goats were reported tied together too tightly.

6:38 p.m. The northwest side of Westwood Manor Park hosted a mini-village of traveler tents and concomitant issues straddling the city limits line.

7:51 p.m. A blond-haired man in a yellow jacket came to the door of a Cedar Avenue home demanding payment for a cable bill, but wasn't dressed and didn't act much like a cable rep. He padded off on foot toward the mobile home park entrance.

• Friday, January 10 12:30 **a.m.** One or more women were overheard yelling "stop it" in increasingly disturbing Westwood Center. The report was docu-

8:53 p.m. Neighborly relations

point where one punched another's car hood.

• Sunday, January 11 8:15 **p.m.** About the time a folder full of court documents went miss-

> ing from a Union Street resident's home, his tire went flat out in the park-

• Monday, January 12 **3:08 p.m.** Slumpabouts gathered, littered and used a store's electrical outlet to charge their

phones in an alley behind G Street on the Plaza. • Tuesday, January 13 1:36

p.m. A Valley West property owner said a tenant was threatening to vacate the building and sue him over a stray cat problem. 2:42 p.m. A short-haired girl in

a bikini riding a bike around the area of Baldwin Street and Grant Avenue pointed her finger at a passing driver in a sort of *ka-pow* gesture. The motorist followed her and asked her if she had just simulated a gun. At this, the grrrl poked the driver and said, "Yes, I'll kill you."

7:37 p.m. A man said his ex-girlfriend was with her new boyfriend, and would mark the occasion by burning his property.

8:02 p.m. A woman said her ex-boyfriend had phoned her with a death threat, and had destroyed hundreds of dollars worth of her property.

 Wednesday, January 14 1:41 p.m. Normally a nominal nuisance, the cig-smoking traveler with guitar case behind the library was extra-creepy this day, and police were asked to deal with

• Thursday, January 15 11:43 a.m. A Mack Road resident got a note, supposedly from upstairs neighbors, which stated that if he yelled at them again, they would hurt him. He found this especially odd since he didn't know them and had never yelled at them.

4:52 p.m. A man with saltand-pepper hair and a missing front tooth walked out on a Plaza restaurant tab estimated at \$50. 11:52 p.m. A man complained that his dog, a brown female lab, was stolen out of his car when he left her in it on the Plaza overnight. • Friday, January 16 1:53 a.m. A camper used the new public loo at Eighth and F streets as a personal bedroom.

9:07 a.m. A Ninth Street resident said her roommate had been out drinking at the bars the previous night and never came home. Her purse did, though, eerily appearing on the doorstep complete with wallet and cell phone.

9:37 a.m. A woman in Georgia ordered merchandise from an Arcata manufacturer, paid for with checks for \$365 and \$298. The order was shipped, her checks bounced and her phone line was disconnected.

Obsessive box unpacking crisis

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• January 12 12:28 a.m. A Nelson Hall classroom and bedistraught student stumbled into the University Police De-

partment lobby, complained of feeling both dizzy and ill, and was immediately transported to the Mad River Community Hospital.

· Tuesday, January POLICE LOG 13 12:40 p.m. An un-

disclosed event, needing university police attention, occurred at the Super 8 motel in room 115.

· Wednesday, January 14 **4:28 p.m.** A man walking down the middle of a campus road, in and out of traffic, was contacted by Humboldt State University officers, and given a talking-to about proper pedestrian etiquette and the expectations of the driving world.

6:56 p.m. A student entered a the inevitable stolen purse.

gan to unpack items from boxes occupying the room. When

asked to cease the chore and move on, refusal led to University Police involvement. • Friday, January

16 7:28 p.m. A faculty member called the University police

to file a complaint regarding a suspicious van parked outside House 13.

• Sunday, January 18 8:41 p.m. University officers spotted an open container, and the guilty, thirsty student attached, likely nursing off Saturday's hangover.

• Monday, January 19 4:39 p.m. The unending and sad story of the unlocked vehicle and

Colony | Cat crisis forces challenging capture, rehoming effort

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20 to 30 feral cats has lived for years.

A couple of animal lovers have kept the cat contingent in rough equilibrium. One has been feeding the cats to keep them healthy, and the other trapping them, getting them spayed or neutered and vaccinated, and then releasing them back into the area.

Recently, though, workers in the area have grown exasperated with the catfestation, and tensions between the businesses and cat lovers have reached the snarly stage, with police involved. Now, the cat feeder has been banished and the trapper is having to permanently remove the cats and find them homes - no small feat for unpettable, love-resistant, anti-social animals.

Growing up, Jan Carr spent most of her time on her grandparents' ranch on Arcata Bottom, and as an adult has acted as something of a one-woman animal relief agency. She knows where the common cat-dumping spots are, and has trapped and treated hundreds of abandoned unfortunates, adopting dozens herself as a continuing compassionate practice.

The situation in Valley West now consumes most of her energy. It began a few weeks ago, when the sheer density of cats overwhelmed the Norcal Health Center cannabis clinic, located on the field's north side.

According the Norcal Nurse Practitioner Gary Barsuaskas, the colony's casualties, from adult cats to kittens, would turn up from time to time, creating a disease vector. Dogs, both stray and those being walked by guests at nearby motels, would often go after the cats. Clients pulling in to the parking lot were sometimes swarmed by cats who thought it was the woman who fed them for years showing up with dinner.

To break the cycle, police were asked to notify the cat feeder that she would no longer be allowed to bring daily dinners to the colony. According to Carr, the woman, whom she didn't identify, was escorted from the property.

The businesspeople, police and some in the animal welfare community considered the cat feeder's activity part of the problem. "The biggest issue was the woman feeding the cats," said APD Lt. Ryan Peterson. He confirmed that the woman was contacted at the behest of area businesses, and told to stop the feeding operation. Barsuaskas said the colony had been started by the woman.

bers, as long as it is accompanied by a simultaneous spay-neuter-release effort. Feral cats only live three or four years, and if not fed, they fight, and become bloody and diseased. She says the colony predates most of the businesses.

"These cats have been out here for decades," she said. "They came from domestic cats, probably farm cats. And people dump here. It's not the feeder's fault."

Nonetheless, Carr is accommodating the businessfolks' desires and pulling the cats out as quickly as she can. Recently, Norcal contacted Humboldt Spay/Neuter network and asked that the cats be removed. Since then, Carr has trapped, fixed, vaxxed and returned an estimated 40 cats to the site. She knows them all, especially the ones she's processed, since their ears are tipped while they are anesthetized for the spay or neuter.

"We know that this works, because there are only 20 cats there now," she said. That's down from an estimated 40 when she first got involved. Without food, she says, "you'll start to see 20 sickly cats. They'll live three years, four at the most, and die a slow and agonizing death. It's just a terrible situation all around."

Worried that the cats might be trapped and killed, Carr has drastically accelerated her capture operation in recent weeks, hoping to reduce the population there to zero.

Feral adult cats are not family-friendly and are very difficult to place. They need an isolated place to live, such as a barn, and must be enclosed for at least two weeks and preferably two months. Otherwise, as cats will do, they just head back to where they came from.

But with persistence and using all her contacts, Carr is managing to not only capture, but adopt out up to two cats per day. Her successes and frustrations are documented on a Facebook page titled Cats In My Heart.

"One thing about Humboldt County is that this is an animal-loving community," Carr said. "I went on Facebook hoping for options and ideas. Little did I know it would explode."

Someone posted information on Craigslist, and "the animal commu-Carr disagrees. She says feeding nity went crazy," she said. "My phone the cats doesn't increase their num- started ringing off the hook. People were coming out of the woodwork."

> That's what the cats do at the field. From the sidewalk, one can – or could – view multiple cats prowling in and around the dense foliage on the west side. Now though, Carr's aggressive intervention has reduced their numbers. She's allowed on the site once a day, to provide a nominal meal and pull out captured cats.

> She uses three trapping cages. One is permanently left open with food placed inside to habituate the cats to the cage. The other two close on entry.

> The Cats In My Heart page documents recent captures. A special victory was catching the pregnant calico cat, which was recently dumped there.

> While Carr has become skilled at trapping the wild, special-needs cats, placing them is a continuing challenge. The animal shelter can't lodge the unadoptable cats, which must be euthanized.

> Along with the special circumstances the cats require, she has to make sure they aren't being obtained for use in training pit bulls or other exploitative uses.

> "I'm determined that this will happen, but I need the community's help," she said. "Right now I just desperately need homes."

> Employees at Mad River Community Hospital's Home Health Service, located on the field's south side, also experienced issues. That office declined comment, saying that the story had been covered "over and over."

> A KAEF-TV story stated that "the feral cat situation in Arcata was resolved," but that was a bit premature. Seven cats of the were rehomed last week, and six more are headed for a ranch in Crescent City. A&L Feed & Garden Supply is assisting with a kennel.

> "I think it's all moving in a very positive direction," Barsuaskas said. "I will be feeding on this property

> Contact Carr through her Cats In My Heart Facebook page. Contact Humboldt Spay/Neuter Network at (707) 442-7729.

> until the last cat is adopted," Carr said.

Measure Z overseers approved by Supes

Daniel Mintz MAD RIVER UNION

nalized the make-up of the county's Measure Z Advisory Committee, which will be ready for action by early March.

At their Jan. 20 meeting, supervisors approved the choices of individual board members and those of the county's Fire Chiefs Association and Sheriff's Office. Those approvals were part of the meeting's consent agenda but two at-large appointments voted on by the full board went through a more elaborate process.

Board chair Estelle Fennell's appointment is Shon Wellborn, the CEO of the Community Credit Union in Garberville. Supervisor Rex Bohn chose Loleta firefighter Jonathan Flyer, Supervisor Mark Lovelace picked Ginger Campbell, a member of Arcata's Transaction and Use Tax Oversight Committee.

Supervisor Virginia Bass chose former Eureka Councilmember Mike Newman and Supervisor Ryan Sundberg's appointment is Helen Edwards of the McKinleyville Community Services District.

The Fire Chiefs Association has appointed Redway Fire Protection District Chief Brian Anderson and the Sheriff's Office has chosen Sheriff Mike Downey.

There were 16 candidates for the two at-large slots and a majority of supervisors agreed to appoint California Highway Patrol Commander Adam Jager and former Clerk of the Board Lora Canzoneri.

Before the vote, Fennell thanked all the applicants for their interest.

"It is just heartwarming to know that the community is ready to serve, that the com-

munity is willing to work with us to move this along HUMBOLDT - The and make the very best de-Board of Supervisors has fi- cisions to help us," she said, encouraging the candidates to "stay involved."

Bohn was the dissenter in the vote for the at-large appointments. He explained that he is satisfied with them, but he preferred to have more representation from firefighters.

"I have the greatest respect for everyone that got nominated," said Bohn.

Referring to the lurching and, at times, uncertain process of making the picks, he added, "I'd much rather be going through this turmoil than saying, how many sheriffs do we want to lay off because we don't have any money or how much do we want to cut our firefighters on safety equipment."

Lovelace emphasized that all the applicants - and anyone else - can be involved in the advisory committee as public participants.

"This is a completely public, Brown Act committee," he said. "Every single one of you can attend every one of these meetings and have your voice heard, and the only thing that you don't get is a vote."

Measure Z was approved by voters last November and will provide the county with an additional \$6 million a year of general fund money. The measure will last five years and was promoted as a means of funding public safety services.

The advisory committee will make recommendations for spending the additional tax revenue, which will be levied starting April 1. Due to the state's administrative process, the money won't be available to the county until June.

BACK TO SCHOOL



AWARD RECIPIENTS Front row from left, Tru Bowman, Shea Lyon and Danniela Liegl. Back row, Anna Baker, Nyrie Broderick, Nikki Wineinger, Nai'a Ryman and Roman Aguilar. Far back, Brian Lovell. Recipients not shown in photo are Anoton Mervinsky, Audrey Asbury, Bethany Walkley, Nora Lovell, Savanna Smith, Tavarra Read, Teagan Hesseltine and Zinnia Barber.

Arcata district honors volunteers

ARCATA SCHOOL DISTRICT

ARCATA – The Arcata School District (ASD) last week announced it has awarded 16 student volunteers with the President's Volunteer Service Award, a national honor offered in recognition of volunteer service during the 2013-14 school year.

Established in 2003, the award is available on an annual basis to individuals, groups and families who have met or exceeded requirements for volunteer service and have demonstrated exemplary citizenship through volunteering.

As one of thousands of certifying organizations participating in the award program, the Arcata School District confers the award to recognize the outstanding achievements of its volunteers.

The Arcata School Dis-

trict has a long history of volunteer service, and more than 100 volunteers perform community service each year on behalf of the organization.

During the 2013-14 school year, ASD students logged over 4,200 hours of service to the community. These projects include Coats for the Cold, community clean up, recycling monitors, Sunset Creek rehabilitation and community building within the school, among others.

Both Sunny Brae Middle School and Arcata Elementary have student councils very active in service. In addition, the Arcata Elementary After School Program has an Active K-Kids service club sponsored by the Arcata Kiwanis. Sunny Brae has an active Interact service club sponsored by the Arcata Sunrise Rotary.

service issued by the last three presidents," said Brian Lovell, service learning coordinator for the Arcata School District. "These recipients of the awards are role models for all Americans. Each volunteer hour contributed makes a difference in improving the quality of life for others, and I encourage everyone to contribute to our community by volunteering. Volunteers bring us closer together as families, as communities and as a nation, through their commitment."

"The President's Vol-

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KHSU launches BBC service Sunday

KHSU 90.5 FM

HUMBOLDT - Beginning Sunday, Feb. 1, radio listeners in Humboldt County can hear news and analysis of world events from the BBC World Service on KHSU-BBC 24 hours a day. BBC programming will go on the air at 103.3 FM in McKinleyville and at 90.1 FM in Ferndale. Listeners with HD radio can also hear the BBC on 90.5 HD-2, one of KHSU's HD radio channels.

KHSU's BBC broadcasts will reach listeners from Redcrest to Crescent City.

"This is a totally new radio station for Humboldt County," said KHSU General Manager Ed Subkis. "KHSU's current format of NPR news, diverse music and local public affairs programming will not change, and KHSU reception will not be lost by anybody who currently receives KHSU."

According to Subkis, this station is branded as "KHSU-BBC" to identify it as an additional service of KHSU.

The key to the KHSU-BBC network is KHSM – a new radio station recently authorized to broadcast in McKinleyville at 103.3 FM. KHSM is the result of a partnership between the Humboldt State University Advancement Foundation, which holds the license to KHSM and KHSU, and the U.S. Coast Guard. KHSM will operate the new network out of space made available by the Coast Guard on a tower it owns near McKinleyville.

KHSM will bring BBC programming to northern Humboldt County, while KH-SU's Ferndale station on 90.1 FM will be re-engineered to air BBC programming in



LONDON CALLING TO THE FARAWAY TOWNS KHSU'S BBC broadcasts will reach listeners from Redcrest to Crescent City. GRAPHIC COURTESY KHSU

central Humboldt. KHSU programming in the Eel River Valley will continue to be heard on KHSU's Ferndale translator at 88.7 FM.

KHSU-BBC, a new service, is fully automated and will place little additional operational or financial burden on KHSU. Programming is produced by the BBC in London and distributed in the United States by American Public Media.

KHSU-BBC will cover the coastal area from the Humboldt-Del Norte County line south to Redcrest. Approximately 140,000 people will be served by the network.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE Soroptimist International of Arcata is again offering two Cynthia Schwenson Scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 and \$1,000 to seniors attending high school in Arcata. To be eligible for this scholarship, an applicant must be a graduating senior and must be entering a junior college, four-year college or university, or vocational school. Scholarship applications will be available Monday, Feb. 2 in the counselor's office at Arcata High School. Applications must be completed and returned to the counselor by Monday, March 9. Call Scholarship Chair Patti Clinton at (707) 822-9494.





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SPACE DOWN ntw no **Tabitha Soden** MAD RIVER UNION ARCATA - A well-established space-rock quintet and a sophomore Humboldt State lecturer have teamed up to give 20 Humboldt State students the experi-

PSYCHEDELIC SOUNDS Johnny Webb, Tavan Anderson and David Johnson, three members of White Manna, on stage.

ence of a lifetime.

Last spring, Arcata-based band White Manna went into the studio to record its fifth album Pan. But instead of producing the album through a traditional

record label, the band is entrusting Benjamin Funke, owner of Captcha Records, with their new jams. Funke will be running a class at HSU called Analog Masters and the students will be responsible for producing the album.

"This is a hairbrained idea of mine that was approved," Funke said, "which is rare in academia."

The students in the class will be broken up into teams. They will work to their strengths as they take the album through the production process. Students will be responsible for everything from art and design to social media and distribution.

Funke said that one of the ethical questions that came up in the design-

ing of the course was what to do with the money made from the project.

"All proceeds will go to building a recording studio at Humboldt State," he said.

The class, which has been approved for four semesters, will feature a new band each time. The in-house recording studio will allow the project to be self-generating as it continues.

Funke had a relationship with members of White Manna before he moved to Arcata from Chicago, and it was a team effort to get the project off the ground.

David Johnson, one of White Manna's guitar players, said the project is an exciting opportunity for the students. The band's new album will reflect their ever-evolving sound. "We

don't try to keep it in any kind of category," Johnson said.

The inspiration for the band's new six-track album comes from books and movies as well as all types of music. Johnson also said they draw inspiration from the beauty of Humboldt County.

Funke said that having a local band was essential to the success of the class since it is still in its trial run.

Classes just started last week but Funke said, "Even after the first session of the class people were shaking with excitement."

White Manna's new album will be ready for release sometime in April. For more information about the band visit whitemanna.bandcamp.com or check them out on Facebook.

Highlights of the week

DRAG PARTY



CRAB AND DRAG

Dress up in your fanciest duds and "come out" to this celebrity-themed party at the Bayside Grange, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd. in Bayside. on Saturday, Jan. 31. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for cocktails, followed by dinner at 6 and dancing until midnight.

SPORTS

SUPER BOWL XLIX

Don't want to be the only person in America not watching the Superbowl on Sunday, Feb. 1? No problem! Head to the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 1036 G St., Arcata, and watch the game with fellow football fans. The New England Patriots will face off against the Seattle Seahawks starting at 3:30 p.m. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. All ages are welcome and admission is free with a \$5 food or beverage purchase.

Earthy, rich, full-bodied Macbeth





IS THIS A DAGGER WHICH I SEE BEFORE ME? Left: Greta Stockwell, Megan Johnson and Alissa Barthel as the Three Witches. Right: Jo Kuzelka and Sam Greenspan as the Macbeths. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Lauraine Leblanc

MAD RIVER UNION drink box wine. There, I've said it.

It's economical, environmentally friendlier and, according to Buzzfeed, the next hipster trend. I have avoided sampling more acclaimed vintages because I don't want to educate my palate; it's bad enough that being partnered to a roaster has made me a coffee snob.

That being said, I was concerned that seeing Shakespeare's Globe Theatre of London perform King Lear at the Van Duzer last November would ruin me for local Shakespeare, so it was with some trepidation that I attended the North Coast Repertory Theater (NCRT) production of *Macbeth*.

I need not have feared; it was glorious. Earthy, rich and certainly full-bodied, one might say.

Directed by Calder Johnson, the veteran behind the revival of Arcata's ongoing summer productions of Shakespeare in the Park and other bardic goodness, NCRT's Macbeth is Shakespeare filtered through Vikings, a choice Johnson made based on historical evidence of Scandinavian conflicts in 11th century Scotland. As promised on the NCRT's website, it's the original Game of Thrones: political, twisted and extremely violent.

Doubling as scenic designer, Johnson conceived a minimalist earthtone set with rocky platforms and a cloven tree, all dripping with moss. Lighting Designer Telfer Reynolds and Light Board Operator Kira Gallaway skillfully illuminated the action, deploying cool blue and crimson red lighting to good effect. Props, under the supervision of Laura Rinehart, were likewise kept simple, allowing Stage Manager Kira Gallaway to keep the action flowing seamlessly from scene to scene.

These choices allowed for full use of the entire theater; throughout MACBETH * B7

* MUSIC



GUITARIST ADRIAN LEGG

All the way from the UK, fingerstyle guitarist Adrian Lega will be performing at the Sanctuary, 301 J St., Arcata, on Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and are available at Wildberries Marketplace or at brownpapertickets.com. For more information call (707) 822-1575 or visit arcataplayhouse.org.







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L'ALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

❖ Music

Aber Miller 6 p.m., Larrupin' Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

Randles, LaBolle, Amirkhan 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • *Jazz*.

Local Music Showcase 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

Blues Jam 8:30 p.m., Clam Beach Inn Digger Bar, 4611 Central Ave., McKinleyville Whomp Wednesday 9:30

p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata **Rude Lion Sound** 10 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Arcata

❖ Dance

Wines, 937 I St., Arcata

❖ FILM

Sci Fi Pint and Pizza Night 9 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • Featuring Christmas on Mars.

❖ OTHER

Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties 5 to 8 p.m., Kate Buchanan Room, HSU, Arcata • To honor Fred Korematsu, there will be a screening of the documentary Toyo's Camera: Japanese American History During WWII followed by a discussion facilitated by Ben Morles.

Live Turtle Racing 8 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake • Each drink you buy gets you a chance to be a turtle "jockey." The winners of all four bouts have a chance to win an all-expenses-paid trip to Turtle Bay.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

Fred and Jr. 6 to 8:30 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • Swing jazz.

Open Mic 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata Claire Bent 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth

St., Arcata The Attics 8 p.m., Redwood Curtain Brewery, 550 South G St., Arcata

Open Mic with Jimi Jeff 8 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Karaoke with KJ Leonard 8 p.m., WAVE Lounge at Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake

Kindred Spirits 9 p.m., Clam Beach Inn Digger Bar, 4611 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Roots and Culture Night 9 p.m., Robert Goodman Winery, 937 I St., Arcata

Karaoke with DJ Marv 9 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville Rude Lion Sound 9:30 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Arcata

❖ DANCE

Blues Night 8 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

❖ THEATRE

The Caucasian Chalk Circle 8 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, HSU, Arcata • Presented by Northcoast Preparatory and Performing Arts' Young Actors Guild and written by Bertolt Brecht. A tale of a mother and her adoptive child as they face obstacles. The production highlights the way in which we carry on, no matter how hard things are. \$15.

♦ OTHER

HSU Authors Celebration 4 to 5:30

HSU Library, Arcata • A celebration honoring 2014 publications.

Poet Pat McCutcheon 7 p.m., Trinidad DJs 10 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Library, 380 Janis Ct., Trinidad • Mc-Cutcheon will read from her new chapbook, Slipped Past Words, and sign copies of her work. For more information, contact the library at (707) 677-0227.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

❖ Music

Blue Lotus Jazz 5:30 p.m., Larrupin' Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

No Good Redwood Ramblers 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • *Classic country covers*.

Salsa Night 9 p.m., Robert Goodman Open Mic 7 p.m., Northtown Coffee, 1603 G St., Arcata

> Susie Laraine and Mike LaBolle 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata • Sax and drums.

> Friday Night Music 7 to 9:30 p.m., Fieldbrook General Store, 4636 Fieldbrook Rd., Fieldbrook

The Getdown 9 p.m., Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake • Funk.

Buddy Reed and the Rip It Ups 9 p.m. Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

707 9 p.m. Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Drive, Trinidad • '70s funk and '80s rock.

Reggae Night 9 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake • With Mitch the Red Rasta.

Karaoke 9 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Rude Lion Sound 9:30 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Arcata

DJs 10 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Ar-

❖ Theatre

The Caucasian Chalk Circle 8 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, HSU, Arcata • See Friday listing for details.

❖ FILM

International Fly Fishing Film Festival 7 to 10 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • Short and feature $length films.\ \$20.$

♦ OTHER

Reading of Woodrat Flat 7 p.m., Northtown Books 957 H St., Arcata • Details on page B3.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

❖ Music

Michael Dayvid 7 to 9 p.m., Crush, 1101 H St., Arcata • Acoustic set of originals

Indigenous 8 p.m. Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Drive, Trinidad • Blues rock band.

Good and Evil Twins Karaoke 8 p.m., Silver Lining, California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport, McKinleyville

Blue Lotus Jazz 8 p.m., Redwood Curtain Brewery, 550 South G St., Arcata

The Undercovers 8 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinlevville Bradford Loomis 9 p.m. Six Rivers Brew-

ery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville Missing Link Soul Night 9 p.m., Hum-

boldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata Liquid Kactus 9 p.m., WAVE Lounge at

Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake • Funk rock.

p.m., Helen Everett Reading Room, **DJ Duo Pressure Anya** 9 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Drive, Trinidad • Dance beats.

> Arcata **DJs** 10 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Ar-

Songwriter Circle of Death XII 11 p.m., The Alibi, 744 Ninth St., Arcata • The final battle with TheBoredAgain, Nola Victrola, Uncle C and Keil la Chinga. \$2

COMEDY

Make Me Laugh! Comedy Night 8 p.m., Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata • Humboldt's live stand-up comedy game show with Tony Perisco. \$10

❖ Dance

Soul Night 9 p.m., Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata

❖ THEATRE

The Caucasian Chalk Circle 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Gist Hall Theatre, HSU, Arcata • See Friday listing for details.

❖ Other

Career and College Center Pancake Breakfast 8 to 11 a.m., D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St., Arcata • Pancake Breakfast in honor of Jackie Foote. This is the largest fundraiser of the year to support the Arcata High School Career & College Center. \$8.

Arcata Winter Farmers' Market 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Arcata Plaza, Arcata

Trinidad to Clam Beach Run Honoring Fred Hess 10 a.m., various starting points • Details on page B6.

Crab N' Drag 5:30 p.m. to midnight, Vayside Grange, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd., Bayside • Celebrity-themed drag dinner and dance party.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

❖ Music

Tony Roach 4 to 6 p.m., Moonstone Crossing Tasting Room, 529 Trinity St., Trinidad • Acoustic standard vocals.

JD Jeffries 5 p.m., Lighthouse Grill, Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad

Bayside Grange Music Project 5 to 9 p.m., Bayside Grange, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd., Bayside

Piano Jazz 6 to 9 p.m., Larrupin Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad Open Mic 7 p.m., Mosgo's, 180 Westwood

Center, Arcata Jazz Night 7 p.m., Blondies Food and

Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata t**araoke with KJ Leonard** 8 p.m. WAVE Lounge at Blue Lake Casino, 777

Casino Way, Blue Lake Karaoke with Chris Clay 8 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad

Sundaze with Deep Groove Society 9 p.m., Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

Puff Puff Pass Tour 9:30 p.m., Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata • Natural Vibrations with Junior Reid and Karlos Paez from B-Side Players. \$20.

❖ DANCE

Rueda de Casino (Cuban Salsa) 7 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

♦ OTHER

Fieldbrook Grange Pancake Breakfast 8 a.m. to noon, Fieldbrook Grange. Fieldbrook Rd., Fieldbrook • Featuring a bake sale and raffle. \$5

Dharma Talk 9:20 a.m., Trillium Dance Studios, 855 Eighth St., Arcata · Soto

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Zen Priest Eugene Bush speaks.

Superbowl 3:30 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • New England Patriots vs. Seattle Seahawks. Doors open at 2:30 p.m.

Trivia Night 8 p.m. Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville • Win up to \$50 in Brewery Bucks.

Potluck 6 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake · Share a dish with friends old and new.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

❖ Music

Anemones of the State 5 p.m., Sushi Spot, 1552 City Center Rd., McKinleyville Humboldt Folklife Society Sing-

Along 7 p.m., Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy., Arcata • Come sing your favorite folk, rock and pop songs of the '60s with Joel Sonenshein. Songbooks are provided, just bring your voice.

Buddy Reed 7 p.m., Crush, 1101 H St., Ar-

Karaoke with DJ Marv 8 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKin-

Golden Gate Wingmen 9 p.m., Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata • A quartet weaving the sounds of Americana music with a mixture of psychedelic rock, blues, funk, jazz and a little bit of everything else.

Rude Lion Mondayz 9:30 p.m., Ocean Grove Cocktail Lounge, 480 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

The Getdown 10 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata • Featuring music by White Manna, Joy and DJ Shattered Space; \$5.

❖ Dance

Swing Dance Night 7 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

❖ Other

Free Pool all day, Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

Quiz Night 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

❖ Music

Buddy Reed 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata

Melissa Aldana and Crash Trio 8 p.m., Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata • Chilean-born tenor saxophonist Melissa Aldana is joined by fellow countryman Pablo Menares on bass and Cuban drummer Francisco Mela. \$15.

Adrian Legg 8 p.m., The Sanctuary, 1301 J St., Arcata • Details on page B1.

Karaoke with Chris Clay 8 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad

Good and Evil Twins Karaoke 8 p.m., Silver Lining, California Redwood Coast-Humboldt County Airport, McKinleyville

Particle 9:30 p.m., Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata • Funk, rock, electronica. \$15.

❖ OTHER

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Human Expression Night 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata • A night of poetry and creativity hosted by Courtnie Burns.

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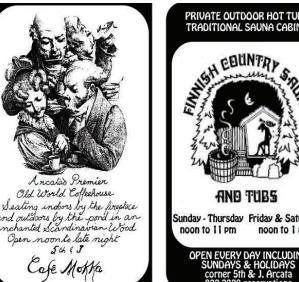














WOMEN IN HISTORY Author Merrie Fidler talking with Chanel McFarland, a fifthgrade basketball player at Big Lagoon School. PHOTO BY JANINE VOLKMAR

Janine Volkmar MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD — "The men were at war and P.K. Wrigley, Chicago Cubs owner and Wrigley gum manufacturer, said, 'Women did every other job, why not baseball?" explained Merrie Fidler, a Big Lagoon resident and author.

Wrigley's inspiration resulted in women's professional baseball, a piece of history made familiar in Penny Marshall's 1992 film A League of Their Own.

Fidler presented a slide show and anecdotes from her book, The Origins and History of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, to Melinda Maggio's combined sixth- through eighth-grade class at Big Lagoon School in mid-January.

The class had watched a portion of the film and read parts of Fidler's book to prepare, so there were few snickers at the old photographs of Amelia Bloomer, the pioneer who popularized pants for women to do such sports activities as riding a bicycle.

Fidler told the class about the first indoor baseball games in the 1890s, where high school girls could at last play the game, and how the first night game ever played at Chicago's famed Wrigley Field was played by women on July 1, 1943.

The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League flourished from 1943 through 1954. Fidler started researching the league for a scholarly dissertation and published a book on the subject in 2006.

Fidler taught high school before retiring to Big Lagoon and her ease in a classroom showed. She connected the history of women in sports to changes in American society, to the war work women did during World War II and to the history of baseball in the United States.

The old photographs of women playing baseball, first in dresses, then in bloomers, and finally in shorter and shorter skirts told the story well.

Chanel McFarland, a fifth grader and basketball player, joined the class for the presentation. When asked how she would feel playing basketball in those old uniforms she said, "I don't think they'd be so comfortable but they were cool. I'd definitely trip a couple of times in them.'

Though girls have the opportunity to play sport in school there are not a lot of opportunities to play professionally. Fidler hopes to see that change.

"Maybe someday, in the not too distant future, we might see some women's baseball leagues again," she said.



KINGFISHER This nature-inspired watercolor by Sara Starr and more of her work will be on display at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center for the month of February. Starr's work reflects her life and experiences in **Humboldt County. The center is lo**cated at 569 South G St., Arcata and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday from 1 and 5 p.m. (707) 826-2359

CALLING ALL ARTISTS For the 12th year, Friends of the Arcata Marsh and Redwood Region Audubon Society are co-sponsoring a Student Bird Art Contest in conjunction with Godwit Days. Some \$550 in prizes will be awarded to Humboldt County students from kindergarten through high school who submit a drawing of one of 40 suggested species or another common local bird. Prizes will also be awarded for the best rendition of a bird in its natural

Entries will be judged by local wildlife artists and educators. Awards will be presented at the 20th Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival on Saturday, April 18 at 11 a.m. All entries will be displayed at the Arcata Community Center during the festival and copies of winning artwork will be shown at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center in May.

A flyer with complete rules and a list of suggested birds can be picked up at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, Strictly for the Birds in Old Town Eureka or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Louise Bacon-Ogden, 2337 B St., Eureka, CA, 95501.

Artwork may be dropped off at Strictly for the Birds, 123 FSt. in Eureka, or the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, 569 South G St. in Arcata, or mailed to Bacon-Ogden at the address listed above. Entries must be received by Friday, March 20 to be considered. Questions should be e-mailed to sueleskiw@suddenlink.net.

BOOK READING Jerry Martien, Ali Freedlund and friends will read from Woodrat

Flat by Albert Saijo at Northtown Books, 957 H St., Arcata, on Friday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m.

Saijo, a beat poet and naturalist, began the study of Zen Buddhism in his teenage years when he met a teacher in the Japanese internment camp at Heart Mountain. He later served with the U.S. Army in Italy, then studied U.S. International Policy at Stanford.

poet Lew Welch made a legendary journey

across the country writing haiku. In the '80s, Saijo and his wife home-

> steaded in the Mattole, where they built a small house on a flat overlooking the Pacific. He grew marijuana, was busted and subsequently moved to the Big Island of Hawaii. Because the book describes many of these events, it was held

> The manuscript was collected by Laura Saijo and published by Tinfish Press

from publication until his

In the 1960s he, Jack Kerouac and the in Hawaii. Copies of the book will be avail-

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Humboldt State's official responses to the Bolman protest

Note: What follows are two press releases issued by Humboldt State University in response to the occupation of the Native American Forum by student protesters. The first was issued Tuesday, Jan. 20. – Ed.

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

A sit-in by students and other individuals in the Native American Forum is disrupting classes during the first day of Spring Semester at Humboldt State University.

The university is reaching out to those who are protesting to discuss their concerns and urge them to leave the facility so that classes may continue as scheduled. The university recognizes and respects the students' right to protest and have their voices heard. However, the current action is affecting the education of other students. Five classes with high enrollment are scheduled to meet in the Native American Forum on Tuesday and Wednesday the first class was held in the room with protestors present, and others are being relocated.

The top priorities for the university as it works to address the situation are safety and student learning.

The sit-in began following a two-day conference on Native American Activism. The student club called Civil Liberties Defense Center (HSU Chapter) had campus permission to use the space through 10 p.m. Monday evening, after which approximately 30 individuals chose to stay in the room overnight. They discussed their plans in advance with University Police, and asked officers many questions about options and consequences. The university does not know how long the protestors plan to continue the sit-in.

The concern of protestors appears to be last fall's departure of the director of Indian Natural Resource, Science and Engineering Program (INRSEP), though other issues have been raised in media reports and online. One other concern appears to be that the name of the Native American Forum may have been changed. It has not, and there have been no plans or discussions about doing so.

Campus officials have had ongoing dialogue with Native students and many others about issues and challenges related to diversity. The university remains deeply committed to diversity and to providing support to help all students be successful.

Note: The following press release was issued Friday, Jan. 23. – Ed.

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

Humboldt State University President Lisa A. Rossbacher visited briefly this af-



STANDING UP BY SITTING IN Humboldt State University Police officers address student protesters in the Native American Forum on Monday, Jan. 19.

Photo courtesy Thomas Dunklin

ternoon, Friday, Jan. 23, with students who are conducting a sit-in in the Native American Forum on campus. She delivered a letter and made the following remarks:

I've come here to the Native American Forum to visit with you for two reasons.

First, I want to check on your welfare. You have been engaged in this for most of the week, and I want to make sure you are okay. I hope you are getting enough sleep and staying healthy.

I am also here to deliver a letter acknowledging the sacrifices you have made for your beliefs. This sit-in has been a real demonstration of your commitment to student access, achievement, and completion. We share these goals. And as we plan ahead, I look forward to working with students and the broader community to support our students, our programs, and a better future.

I also want to thank you for your willingness to work with Chief Peterson over the last week. Your discussions with him have been enormously helpful.

I know you have been working collectively to make decisions, and so I want to leave this letter with you so that you can share a summary of my perspective and

The following is the text from the letter delivered by President Rossbacher:

Dear students:

I am personally delivering this letter to acknowledge receipt of your statement

about your goals and motivation regarding your current occupation of the Native American Forum at Humboldt State University. I believe I understand your concerns, and I want to work with you in addressing as many of them as possible.

As I know that University Police Chief Peterson and others have discussed with you, we are all part of a larger community. Our focus needs to be how we work together, rather than against each other. The letter you sent to me earlier this week stated, "Let us help you." I want to take you up on that offer, but I want to rephrase this to explore how we can help each other.

I am particularly interested in your perspectives on programs to support student success in general and those of Native American students in particular. My conversations with students, faculty, staff, and members of the local Native American nations over the last semester have helped me understand what some of the most valuable types of support may be, and we have an opportunity to build programs together. The issues of funding and programming are ones we need to work on collaboratively, so that we all have accurate information and a shared plan.

I also see great value in discussing the appropriate use of the Native American Forum. You are correct that, over time, this space has increasingly been used for instruction on campus. As you know, the room is excellent teaching space, and faculty and students have greatly appreciated

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the opportunity to teach and learn there. In an ideal world, the space would serve multiple functions to meet the University's needs in multiple ways, and I would welcome a broader discussion about the best uses. As an additional point of clarification, the name of this space was never changed to the BSS Forum, and all references to the space are currently being checked to ensure a correct reference in all University

A number of the concerns listed in your letter relate to personnel issues that are not only inappropriate to discuss, but my doing so would violate the Constitutionally protected privacy rights of the employees involved, as well as University policy and state and federal law.

So here is what I propose:

1. This hand-delivered letter serves as both a formal acknowledgment of your concerns and your goals in occupying the Native American Forum.

2. This letter also stands as evidence of my commitment, and that of other administrators, to working with Native American students and tribal nations regarding definitions of student success, the characteristics of appropriate student support programs, the historical and future plans for program funding, the utilization of space in the Native American Forum, and clear plans for how this space will be used in the future.

3. I propose a meeting on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 4, To discuss next steps. The ideal outcome is that we have a productive discussion and can develop plans to move forward in our conversation

4. Based on the recognition in this letter and this proposal to move forward, I ask those of you currently occupying the Native American Forum to move out and allow the classes that are scheduled there for this semester to continue.

Perhaps you are unaware, but your staying in that space after the official closure of the building is against University policy. More importantly, I know you are aware that your prolonged presence in that space during other scheduled events is disrupting the University's instructional program, and this interferes with the academic experience and success of other students.

I would like to refocus our energy on the goal of what's best for students and for the University. Let's work together to shift our emphasis and our energy going forward on how to strengthen Humboldt State Univer-

> With best wishes, Lisa A. Rossbacher, Ph.D. President

The right home health worker can ease care and treatment

n the newest version of our national economy, there aren't many sectors that are growing, and even fewer that are also adding jobs. That trend is exacerbated in Humboldt County, where most industries are contracting and the ones that aren't don't create new jobs either. But health care overall is seeing increased demand, and even at the low end of the pay scale, there are lots of jobs for caregivers.

Also called home-health aides, they perform a wide variety of help to those who can't get along entirely on their own, but don't want to leave home.

Generally there is no requirement for special training, although some caregivers are certified nursing assistants and have previously worked in acute care hospitals or skilled nursing homes. Many got into the business by caring for family members.



At one end of the spectrum, the job is mostly being a is hopelessly disorganized. homemaker, cooking cleaning, shopping and planning meals for clients who can't handle those tasks and don't my head. It ran, "who is with her now, who's up next and

have family who can help.

Other clients need help with transfers from bed to toilet to wheel chair, bathing and dressing, as well as transportation to medical appointments and social events. Bed-bound patients need total personal care including catheter and bowel care.

Physical strength can be an issue, but technique is also important. My family eventually needed to hire caregivers for the shifts I had been covering myself because the family was worried that one or

both of us were going to get hurt. When my sister was bed bound, it often took two people to accomplish tasks with the least discomfort for her.

It's possible to start at the non-technical end and learn more over time. Older women who have been homemakers all their lives but have few "marketable" skills may be able to break into caregiving more easily than most paid work.

It's a great job for nursing students or prospective nursing students, because it provides exactly the kind of experience they'll need when they get to their practical classes.

The scheduling can be flexible and demand is high. An experienced caregiver can move and pick up shifts right away. A woman who had worked for a local agency several years ago, then moved to Montana, moved back; she walked into the agency to see if they were accepting applications and was hired on the spot.

My sister was in hospice care for nearly two years, and we couldn't supply all the help she needed. The county pays for some caregiver help for patients on Medi-Cal, but she was fortunate enough to be able to pay for her own caregivers. We considered the local options and decided to hire an agency to handle the whole thing.

It's more expensive up front, but we didn't have mess with extra insurance, payroll taxes and background checks. In theory, we shouldn't have had to worry about filling shifts when a worker called in sick or training new employees, but it didn't always work out that way. I still think an agency is the right way to go, but the one we chose

The last months, I had a cycle of worries that rotated in

did they fill that empty shift?" I would be thinking about it when I went to bed, when I woke up and when I was working.

The bright spot was that the vast majority of the caregivers took wonderful care of my sister. They treated her as if she was a member of their own family. They stayed late or came in on their days off when the office "forgot" to schedule someone or an employee called in sick.

They genuinely cared for her, entering into her interests. They suggested foods that might tempt her and modified recipes to suit her tastes. They needed the money to support themselves and their families, but they did this work because they love to care for people.

There were only a few who were totally unsuitable, but those cases were painful in the extreme. One was so bad that my sister actually had nightmares, which she certainly didn't need. I worried about clients who might not have strong advocates to force the agency into doing the right thing, however grudgingly.

It's not enough to just hire an agency and trust that all will go well. I recommend checking in often, but not on a set schedule. If the family is too far away, perhaps a good friend or neighbor can help. Many clients are confused, so their reports of what is going on may not be reliable.

My sister didn't want to be in a hospital or skilled nursing facility. Hired caregivers made it possible for her to live at home. We are eternally grateful.

Elizabeth Alves thinks both family and paid caregivers are often under-rated. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union or to mysidestreet@gmail.com.

The Union is seeking opinion columnists. The positions are unpaid, but writers are more than compensated with glory and fame. Columns must be about local northern Humboldt County issues. No national politics. If interested, send a letter and writing samples to opinion@madriverunion.com. Questions? Call (707) 826-7000.

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OPINION

Honey, I'm home

It's been a hard day's night
And I've been working like a dog
It's been a hard day's night
I should be sleeping like a log.
But when I get home to you
I find that the things that you do
Will make me feel all right.

– The Beatles

Been there, done that and even your pets can give you this sometimes. Just getting back to familiar territory will suffice if it's been a busy time at work or play.

Where has this month gone? It's past the halfway



mark already and is the year gonna' be that rapid in time, which makes achievements harder to complete or even comprehend? Oh my, time (?) will tell, or not. Many in the past and the future think that time does not really exist and we have made it into a hologram to govern this orb. Hmmm!

Farmers' Market on Saturday was interesting with strange people/weather off and on. Music in front of The Garden Gate and it flowed over the Plaza nicely. A little short on vendors but those that were there did well. The Co-op was busy, as was Safeway, as many were getting ready for the upcoming half holiday on Monday with kids being home.

Yes! It's open — Dead Reckoning is the name of the tavern in back of the Co-op on the corner of J and Eighth streets. Matt and Adam with sounds/sales of Missing Link Records are now inside, and at the head of the bar is Theo Brown. Beer and root beer on tap for your pleasure. Come on down for an evening of fun.

Periwinkle blossoms are peeking on the roadsides along with the mini daisies and dandelions already puffing into the wind for the first time this year. Ponies were waiting as well as Luna, Charlie's dog, as it was treat time. On down the road, the horse crew was galloping around the field playing catch-me-if-you-can and then to da fence for a pet and an apple. Teenage Wasteland on Foster Avenue was alive with skaters and bottle breakers and, oh, the mess that will have to be cleaned up. Have you traveled the new trail along the east side of the area? Trekking on a one-day holiday is weird as there are so many off for the day and kids galore everywhere. Not as much fun as usual but you learn to deal with it and the parents, oh my, especially if they had to work.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day at the Arcata Community Center with entertainment, a bowl of beans and rice served for just six bucks and hopefully the leftovers went to those who didn't have the six bucks. He was an icon we must always remember.

Silvia De Rooy's letter on the opinion page of the *Times-Standard* regarding the recent Navy Training Forum is a must read. As with any large controlled government agencies, they talk nice but not well. We need to save what's left of our habitats and life on our planet. Do some research and mull over what has and is happening.

Harper's magazine recently had a story by Jessica Bruder: "The End of Retirement," when you can't afford to stop working. Many can't afford to live off of retirement like Social Security and many other retirement plans have gone under and not survived. It seems there are some states that let RV dwellers live in groups on vacant places with hookups so as to survive and work without hideous rent and utilities. There is a national circuit extending from coast to coast and up into Canada, a labor market whose hundreds of employers post classifieds on websites with names like Workers on Wheels and Workamper News.

Magic Marsh was incredible last Sunday with a no rain/wind day and high tides a comin'. Be sure and take a look at the oil paintings by Yvonne E. Kern in the Interpretive Center, really cool. Only one great blue heron but there were some showy egrets dancing on the edges. King tides are a visual precursor of what our future tides will be like in a few years.

My neighbor next door works for Danco and the other day he stopped home in a big rig and honked "Honey, I'm home," and then doubled that when he left. It brought back memories of the guy who lived on K Street and honked when he got home every night.

Bev says, can you imagine plunging a clogged toilet and up comes a boa leaping at you to get out? This happened to an office worker in San Diego and was a little fearsome for both the worker and animal control. There have been strange instances many places over the years, especially big cities with huge sewer caves and tunnels.

This could get ugly I am stunned at how much McKin-

I am stunned at how much McKinleyville Avenue between Murray Road and Gassaway Road has deteriorated since I last biked it in December.

There are large chunks of asphalt missing leaving pot holes large enough for a child's small head to fit into. Or mine.

People are courteous to pedestrians and cyclers, however, I can't guarantee someone may not lose control of their bicycle on that road.

With developers in-filling several more houses north off McKinleyville Avenue further impacting that road, I'm concerned there will be another child fatality.

> Cindy Siemens McKinleyville

Beyond butthurt

I guess things are getting a little insular on the peninsula. I was inspired to verse on Jan. 21, which, fortunately, is rare for me:

Oh, The Humanity

Manila, town of renown, always a frown, they need a clown.

Attack of Ramblin' Jack, don't be a hack, don't blurt

that they're butthurt.

Had it made in the shade,

But Mercury is SO retrograde! Like Hotel Rwanda

Like Idi in Uganda

Like Mississippi burning, for peace

they are yearning.
On that shore

On that shore, beautiful haven,

Quoth the Maven:

Nevermore!

Burma Shave (optional, for geezers) **Timothy Crlenjak**

Timothy Crlenjak Eureka

It's not rocket science

After reading the *Union's* mind-boggling Dec. 22 editorial ("Arcata doing its part for our space future") I could only surmise that the writer had been abducted by the NASA/Alien Alliance, forced to drink the Kool-Aid, and returned to earth with selective amnesia and a directive to convince the citizenry to spend billions for a Pluto selfie.

The editorial's writer blithely tells us that "All of NASA costs the U.S. tax-payer one-half cent of each tax dollar. It should be a whole penny. Then we could fully fund the missions that are telling us how the universe is constructed, where we came from and who we are in the vast ocean of space."

A deaf, dumb and blind person who isn't a part of the 1 percent knows where our country is and where it is going – in deep dodo and going deeper.

We're told "Our future, and the only hope for our survival and that of our original planet, is as a solar system-based civilization. Eventually, we'll expand to inhabit many more of our nearby planets and create habitat of our own making."

Get real.

We've got huge problems on earth, right here, right now. NASA's 2014 estimated budget was \$17.6 billion dollars. Instead of doubling the budget as you suggest, my guess is a majority of middle and lower class people would much prefer the budget is cut in half and the \$8.8 billion savings be applied to such things as improving our cash strapped schools, reducing health care costs, providing low-income housing to those who can't afford it, reducing college tuition costs, and restoring our crumbling infrastructure. Doing these things would, like NASA, create local jobs, but the benefits would go where they are needed most.

Investing vital funding that can be used to heal the planet and our people in an interplanetary emigration scheme is just plain loony. Who the heck is going to trade life on earth for life on a distant barren planet unless our environment – natural and social – is in such dismal condition that life can't be sustained any longer?

\$8.8 Billion divied up into 50 equal parts would provide each state with \$176 million extra bucks a year to spend on the important things to build and maintain this state in the future. Divided equally among California's 58 counties, Humboldt's share would be \$3 million +. Not a great amount, but it still amount to tangible benefits. Allo-

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cated unequally on a most-needed basis, we could see substantial improvements in the lives of county residents. Now that is a spending priority I can get behind; it would be a teeny tiny step in the right direction. Now consider dialing back our military spending by half – from 25 percent of the budget to 12.5 percent (i.e., from \$0.88 TRILLION to \$0.44 TRILLION) and you are starting to talk about money in amounts that can significantly improve the welfare of our country's people.

Our leaders, and media pundits, need to stop assuming we can have it all and begin understanding and accepting our limitations, and live within them. We would be better off if as a people we shared a common understanding that the notion of American exceptionalism is taking us down a road that will benefit a select and increasingly few to the detriment of a growing majority. We are no better or worse than other countries, and we could sure benefit by adopting some of their models of education, health care, and social services that in comparison make ours look second rate. We need sane and relevant budget priorities and the humility to embrace ideas and approaches that aren't American.

Let's start small by first analyzing the NASA budget to identify non-essential programs and expenditures and re-allocate secondary priority funding to our most critical budgetary needs of education and job training, health care, housing for the poor and destitute, taking better care of our environment and maintaining our vital infrastructure. When that is accomplished, use it as a model for eliminating unnecessary military expenditures. There is no shortage of low-hanging fruit, but it will take a different mindset and a common sense of our country's top priorities to pick

And oh yeah, a political system that isn't run by corporate interests. That, in my humble opinion, is where our attention needs to be focused, not on the distraction of Peter Pan fantasies about escaping to other planets.

In our hearts, we know what is right, and it ain't rocket science.

Jud Ellinwood Eureka

Mother Earth First

Man has invented his doom, First step was touching the moon...

– Bob Dylan Why do we need to go to outer space

- we're already in outer space.

Aidan Sanborn Petterson (at age 7)
As a piece of writing, your Dec. 17
editorial was lacking in both style and reasoning. In general, even when I disagree with you, I have to admire your writing – not so this time. I'm wondering if it was written merely to stimulate debate? If so, I applaud you and will oblige you.

The *Union* has joined every national news source from NPR to Fox News in worshipping the space program. Even talk shows seem to have no detractors. So allow me to be the first. The manned space program is a monumental waste of human effort and physical resources. We will never truly inhabit another planet, and we will never be able to comprehend the universe or the infinity that it exists within.

Don't get me wrong, I would love it if everyone who so dearly wants to colonize Mars would just go there and stay there. Jupiter would be even better – it might slow them down a bit. Then the rest of us who deeply care for this amazing Earth can be left in peace to restore her beauty.

We seem to forget that we live on this planet because we were born of this planet. It is this mixture of chemical dust and vapors, this temperature range, this day/night cycle, that nurtured us into being. We are not some foreign agent who can pick and choose among worlds. We are part of the Earth. And for those who need some religion in the mix: Listen to your God. He gave you the Earth. If God had wanted you to live on Pluto – he's all powerful – he would have given you Pluto.

Wisdom is the ability to appreciate and make the most of what we have. Civilization lies in learning to tame unreasonable desires. I feel we are losing both of those in our mad rush to get to the next new big thing. We seem to have a need to believe in the special effects of our video screens – to live in inhuman proportions. Our belief seems to be that we were "meant" for greatness. Europeans were "meant" to conquer Native Americans. Any number of tribes were "meant" to rule the holy lands. US industry was "meant" to spread the doctrine of capitalism. And now we are "meant" to pursue the dream of conquering space. Well, Icarus thought pretty much the same thing.

The space race has much in common with the worst aspect of religion. "Don't worry about this life - you will be rewarded in heaven - the greater the struggle the greater will be your reward." With the space program it's "Don't worry about this planet – we can find another one. Getting there is the greatest of all human endeavors." It's sort of like a dysfunctional family in Fieldbrook thinking that everything will get better if they just move to Colorado, and they will somehow be magically united by simply driving there. What possible logic says that a species that has trashed it's own planet even has the right to duplicate that process anywhere else?

I have nothing against science (although, admittedly I prefer wonder). Unlike many members of Congress, I try to base my decisions on science. However both science and knowledge can quickly become destructive forces if they are not based in wisdom. I'm sure a National Council of Wisdom would recognize right off the bat that this is the only planet that we know we have – and it's the only planet we know we can live on. That's guaranteed. And wisdom would also hold that the odds of saving this planet from ourselves are far, far greater than the odds of ever finding (and getting to) another one.

Yes, there is the argument that this is all about the quest for human knowledge - and that the space program is peaceful and a great uniting force for mankind. I'm sorry, I don't buy it. Right now the US has 500-and-some satellites in orbit. Eighteen of those are for "civil" missions – the rest are military, "government" and commercial. Exactly how "uniting" have the myriad surveillance satellites become? Space tourism companies are already selling tickets, and asteroid mining ventures are gathering investors. I'm sure there are many honest and innocent scientists working for NASA, but let's get real – this thing is going nowhere without the backing of greedy powerbrokers. It's already a playground for high-stakes shysters - you really can't get more pie-in-the-sky than space venture capitalism. Space exploration isn't some corruption-free zone it's just another means to take the worst human practices to a new level.

Until we can stop trying to turn everything we touch to gold or power, we should probably stop touching things. And let's start our stopping with "space, the next frontier", since it's really just another distraction anyway. The next frontier should be, instead, to go somewhere humans have never gone – toward humility – and into a loving commitment to our Earth.

We really don't need any more knowledge to learn how to sustain ourselves on this magic orb – but we need a lot more wisdom to put the knowledge we have on a better path. We have some amazing scientific minds, but they are wasted in a space program. What we really need is an "Earth Program".

I think that the greatest human endeavor is to understand what being human really is — to accept our place in the universe and give up trying to conquer the rest of it. Re-entry sickness or walking around on some barren planet inside a cumbersome multi-billion dollar life support suit — that's epic idiocy. A warm hug, a few friends around a pot of tea, a deck of cards, water falling from the sky, small talk around a cozy kitchen table — that's really the pinnacle of being human.

Alan Sanborn Arcata

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Girl Scouts' thoroughly modern cookies

GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

HUMBOLDT - Thin Mints and those other delicious Girl Scout cookies are set to arrive in Humboldt by Feb. 5. This year, the Girl Scouts will be unveiling its first ever gluten-free cookie, the Toffee-Tastic. Also new to the lineup is the Rah Raisin cookie, which contains Greek yogurt chips for added texture.



GLUTEN-FREE Toffee-Tastic cookie.

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It is also time to celebrate the Samoa's 40th birthday as a Girl Scout cookie. This coconut, caramel, and chocolate treat is the second most popular cookie sold each year.

Girl Scouts go door-to-door and have booths, but they have also gone digital. A Cookie Locator app is available at little-

browniebakers.com. When a customer visits a Girl Scout cookie booth, they can also choose to donate cookies through the Gift of Caring Program that sends cookies either to the military or to local food banks. Boxes donated in Humboldt and Del Norte counties stay in Humboldt and Del Norte counties.

Not only does this annual tradition provide troops an opportunity to raise funds for their activities such as camping, service projects, and trips, but it is one of the largest and most successful youth-oriented programs dedicated to helping girls learn crucial skills in business: goal-setting, decision-making, money management, people skills and business ethics. While having fun, they are also developing a strong sense of self-confidence and team-building skills.

Availability of some cookies will be limited, so if you are in search of this cookie, make sure to find a booth early in the sale which runs from Feb. 5 to March 8. If the need for these special cookies exceeds local supply, local individual Girl Scouts will be able to assist cookie-seekers in ordering any of the varieties through an new online cookie ordering program.

If you are interested in Girl Scouts or becoming a volunteer, contact the local Eureka Program Center at (707) 443-6641.

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❖ TRINIDAD

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Start with spaghetti at Trinidad School gym on Friday, Jan. 30 from 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Your purchase of spaghetti with meat or vegetarian sauce and healthy accompaniments benefits the sixth grade class raising funds for the annual spring trip.

Trinidad to Clam Beach Run

Saturday, Jan. 31 brings the 50th Annual Trinidad to Clam Beach Run Hon-

oring Ford Hess. The Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce invites you to run in the 83/4- or three-mile events, both of which start at noon on Patrick's Point Drive just north of Larrupin' Café. Or, begin the 5³/₄-mile race at 1 p.m. near the library-museum entrance on Patrick's Point Drive. Last chance to sign up is on Friday, Jan. 30 between 4 and 7 p.m. at Red Lion Inn, Eureka or on race day from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. at Trinidad Town Hall. The \$30 registration fee includes a beautifully designed T-shirt by Beverly Harper. Call (707) 677-1610 or go to *trinidadtoclambeach*. *com* for inquiries. Dori Fulk is race director.

Erratum: Matt Beard was cited as the T-shirt artist in last week's column. Apologies to Matt, who has designed past T-shirts, and to Beverly Harper, this year's artist.

Trinidad Head Lighthouse tours

The Trinidad Head Lighthouse will be open for walking tours only (no shuttle) with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Trinidad Museum tour guides on Sunday, Feb. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Park at the bottom of Trinidad Head trail near Trinidad State Beach.

BLM is working on a management plan to open the lighthouse to visitors more regularly since its assumption of stewardship from the U.S. Coast Guard last year. Leisyka Parrott, Julie Clark and Chris Heppe of BLM are among those on the planning team.

Trinidad School Education Foundation Gala

Dine on Ms. M's catering delights and dance to the tunes of Monahan Martin and Sleep on Saturday, Feb. 7 at the Trinidad School Education Foundation Gala at Town Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m. Matt Beard will be host for a live auction. Admission is \$50 per person. Advance sale tickets available at the Trinidad School office or call (707) 677-3631 for details.

The annual gala benefits the school's music, art and other extra-curricular enrichment programs; well worth the price of admission.

Trinidad Love Affair

Trinidad has enjoyed several years of successful Trinidad Art Nights involving just about every Trinidad business, non-profit and gathering place, organized by Community Arts Trinidad, a Dream Maker Program of The Ink People.

Trinidad Love Affair is an evening of entertainment set for Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14 starting at 8 p.m. at Trinidad Town Hall. The Lonesome Heroes from Austin, Tex. performing western American indie rock and fusion music. Circus of the Elements and Psychedelvis will also perform. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served. Admission is \$25 per person.

Sponsorships for the arts program from the \$100 to \$500 level are sought by Community Arts Trinidad. Chair Chakeeta Marie Garabedian, (707) 497-9767, and Tim Breed, (707) 502-5737 will make sure individual and business generosity is acknowledged throughout the May through October Trinidad Art Nights programs as well as during Trinidad Love Affair. Email trinidadart95570@ gmail.com for details.

Nature Adventure and Quest in Trinidad

Leisyka Parrott, BLM interpretive specialist, will present a free program on Nature Adventure & Quest in Trinidad on Tuesday, Feb. 3 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. in the Trinidad Library. Bring your children to hear about family-friendly activities related to local natural and cultural history. Leisyka will give a free California Coastal National Monument Junior Explorer Book to each participant.

The Redwood EdVenture Quest programs are part of an HSU Environmental Education and Interpretation Practicum class, with collaboration by Redwood Parks Association, California State Parks and BLM.

Appreciating Today's Poetry: Becoming a Poet

Another program in the Trinidad Library 2015 Lectures and Courses series, sponsored by the Trinidad Library Sustaining Fund, is Pat McCutcheon's "Appreciating Today's Poetry: Becoming a Poet" on Wednesdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Trinidad Library.

This is an HSU Osher Lifelong Learning (OLLI) class. OLLI members pay \$65 for the series. All others pay \$90. Sign up by calling (707) 826-5880 or go to humboldt.edu/olli.

TRINIDAD * B7



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early March. During the last clin-

Hoopa residents have access to local veterinary care only one day a week and no local surgery options, making these clinics especially signifiant. CAF seeks donations of used towels and quality pet food to help make the

event a success. Half a dozen volunteers are also needed to help.

To support this clinic and for information about other events, visit the thrift store at 88 Sunny Brae Center, Arcata, email cafanimals@gmail.com, visit cafanimals.org, check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook

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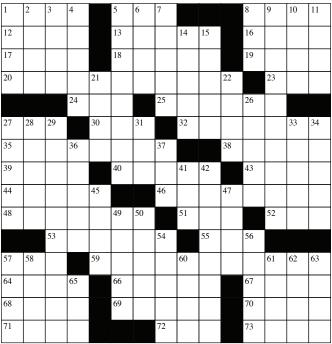
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Solution in next week's Mad River Union



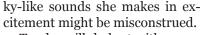
Help in Hoopa

nother chance to help out the pets and pet Jovers of Hoopa is just around the corner! Companion Animal Foundation is helping to sponsor the first of several spay/neuter clinics in the area in late February or

ic, 106 cats and dogs were spayed or neutered in just one day!

or call (707) 826-PETS (7387).

ing blue eyes of a Husky and a brindled coat like a Dutch Shepherd. This dog loves to play! She is super fast when chasing a ball in the play yard and will return and drop the ball for the thrower. She knows sit and could probably be taught almost anything if her ball was the reward. She is quite friendly with other dogs, even though the Hus-





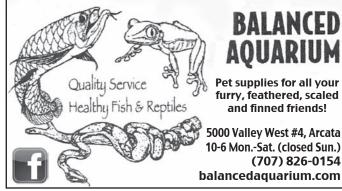
Tundra will do best with an active person or household, as she is young and could use some exercise. We are going to investigate the possibility of Search and Rescue training for this dog, since she has displayed such a strong ball drive and some scent-tracking abilities. Tundra has been at the shelter since early December.

Vega is a 2-year-old male Pit Bull Terrier. This dog is every inch the good Pit Bull ambassador. He is very well-behaved on the leash, knows sit and will gently offer his paw to shake your hand. He has been someone's pet and is just waiting to have that opportunity again. As we've mentioned before, it is very easy for a black Pit



Bull to be passed over by potential adopters, but they are missing out when they pass by Vega. This is a nice dog that already has some obedience on board and would make an excellent companion and addition to a household. Vega has also been at the shelter since early December.

Both of these dogs have been altered, micro-chipped and vaccinated. They are available at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. The shelter is open Monday through Friday with late hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (707) 840-9132







Macbeth | Manly readiness

❖ FROM B1

play, combatants stomped down the aisles, flung one another up against the walls and swung their very real swords hard enough to clang resoundingly against each other's shields. Remain in your seat with your arms inside for the duration of the ride.

The Scottish play opens with the Three Witches, creepily played by Greta Stockwell, Megan Johnson and Alissa Barthel, overseeing the decisive battle ensuring Scotland's victory and Macbeth's rise. Superbly choreographed by Jasper Anderton, this initial fight scene began in slow motion then abruptly sped up, setting the tone for believably violent confrontations that continued throughout the evening.

The weird sisters, in this version, are more than witches; they serve as Valkyries guiding the dead offstage, as murderers, as witnesses and as instigators, providing an eerie

percussive accompaniment to the battle scenes. Kudos to Danny Stockwell for his minimalist original music.

Sam Greenspan, making his debut on the NCRT stage, gave us a Macbeth whose hubris and violence were not long contained by his oath of loyalty to Duncan, his king. With but a little spurring by his lady, Greenspan's Macbeth quickly overcame his shallow conscience to unleash his inner demons. And demonic he was, with Greenspan undertaking a marathon of athletic fighting and proud declarations, his madness clearly expressed in the eye-rolling and teeth-clenching style of his performance. Greenspan did more than chew up the scenery; in the opening night's banquet scene, he literally destroyed part of the set, a hefty bench.

Also impressive as Lady Macbeth was Jo Kuzela, whose chisel-jawed beauty complements the versatility she brings to the role; we even got to hear her sing

a little. Kuzela and Greenspan projected an authentic chemistry.

Scott Osborn as Macduff was remarkable; his reaction to hearing of the slaughter of his entire family brought us to the edge of tears. Bob Service as Duncan, Laird Allen as Banquo and Evan Needham as Malcolm likewise gave strong performances replete with manly readiness.

The two youngest actors, Aiden Vergen as Fleance and Zoe Osborn as Young Macduff, held their own against more experienced actors – they're two to watch in years to come. The remainder of the rather large cast of 23 acquitted themselves well, with Ken Klima especially providing a rare, much-needed moment of levity as the drunken Porter.

Costumes designed by Marissa Menezes, from medieval dresses to leather armor, and so much fur, suited each character's status, giving the impression of being well-worn and authentic to the period, complemented by excellent choices

in hair and make-up, especially Macbeth's war paint, by Elizabeth Holverson.

NCRT's Macbeth is quite believably violent and is probably unsuitable for very small children: on the other hand, your teenager would most likely enjoy it immensely. One of the shorter of the Bard's plays, this version clocked in at a little under three hours on opening night, with one intermission.

Performances are that NCRT, 300 Fifth St. in Eureka, on Friday and Saturday evenings with occasional Thursday evening and Sunday matinee performances, through Feb. 14, perfect for your valentine.

Call (707) 442-NCRT for reservations. ncrt.net



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Trinidad | Orchids

❖ FROM B6

You can hear a sampling of poems from Pat McCutcheon's new book, Slipped Past Words, at a free Trinidad Library event on Thursday, Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. Once you hear her, you'll be convinced to sign up for her full OLLI series.

North of the 'River of Doves'

Historians Jerry and Gisela Rohde will present "North of the River of Doves: Historic Sites from Little River to Klamath River" on Friday, Feb. 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Trinidad Library. This is another OLLI program that requires advance registration by calling (707) 826-5880 or by going to humboldt.edu/olli. Cost is \$30 for OLLI members/\$55 all others.

Orchids for People

Blain Magnor and Jennifer Rishel present "Orchids for People" at Trinidad Civic Club's Feb. 5 meeting at 11:15 a.m. Members and guests welcome.

Liz Wruck and Joan Baker are hostesses for the gathering, with Donna Haddock and Liz Thatcher presiding. Business meeting commences at 10 a.m. with the program following. Call (707) 496-5350 for information.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District General Manager

The Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) is seeking a general manager to lead a well-run and highly-regarded agency headquartered in Eureka. HBMWD is a regional wholesaler that provides drinking water to seven municipal agencies and untreated water to industrial customers in and around the Humboldt Bay region of Humboldt County. HBMWD has a reliable, locally-controlled source of supply, Ruth Lake (which filled to capacity last year and this year, despite the severe drought). Requirements include a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited university or college, plus ten-to-fifteen years of increasingly responsible and broad experience in administration, management, engineering, utility, municipal government, or water resource fields. The ideal candidate must possess excellent communication skills, and an inclusive management style that emphasizes teamwork and collaboration. The ideal candidate must also be an effective manager; possess strategic, analytical and creative problem solving skills; and be a proven leader who garners the trust and respect of employees, the Board of Directors, customers, regulatory agency staff and community groups. HBMWD is a small agency. A successful GM must be able to perform a variety of work activities and be adept at managing and directing multiple projects and assignments. The GM must enjoy a dynamic environment in which "what you did today will be different than what you do tomorrow." Salary is under review and DOQ. HBMWD provides an excellent benefit package.

To Apply: The closing date for initial consideration is February 25, 2015. Submit a resume, completed HBMWD Employment Application, a Cover Letter which summarizes your qualifications and states why you are interested in this position, and at least five professional references. Submit application materials in a sealed envelope addressed to: Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District,

Confidential – Attention: GM Search Committee. P.O. Box 95, Eureka, CA 95502

For a position description, employment application, and recruiting brochure please visit our website at www.hbmwd.com. You may also call (707-443-5018) or visit our office to discuss the position or request an application packet. 2/

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NAME STATEMENT

14-00706

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S/CECILIÁ WALKER, OWNER

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1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28

Clerk on DEC. 08, 2014

M. MORRIS DEPUTY

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NAME STATEMENT

15-00002

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MARIE WILLIAMSON

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S/MARIE WILLIAMSON,

OWNER

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14-00750

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Z. HALMAN DEPUTY

C. CRNICH

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(are) doing business as:

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1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR** SARAH FLOWER OF HUMBOLDT

PERSONS:

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Clerk on JAN. 16, 2015 C. CRNICH

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S/NATHAN WEATHERILL. OWNER This statement was filed Clerk on JAN. 22, 2015

T. LEGG DEPUTY 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18

NAME STATEMENT 15-00009

ed by: An Individual S/COREY HOLDERMAN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 29. 2014 C. CRNICH

A. AMBRAM DEPUTY 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11

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CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY**

CASE NO. CV140816 TO ALL INTERESTED

SARAH Petitioner FLOWER has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name LILLIAN GRACE LEDFORD to Proposed name **GRACE** LED-FORD-FLOWER and name

Present JACK HENRY LEDFORD to Proposed name JACK HEN-RY LEDFORD-FLOWER 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the

matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: FEB. 4, 2015 Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River

Filed: DEC. 16, 2014 W. BRUCE WATSON Judge of the Superior Court 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR CHANGE** OF NAME COREY VAN CHARLES BOOTH SUPERIOR COURT OF

TO ALL INTERESTED

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as Present name COREY VAN CHARLES BOOTH to Proposed name CORFY VAN CHARLES GRANT 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court. located at 825 5th Street, Eureka. California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person obiecting to the name changes described above must for the objection at least

file a written objection that includes the reasons two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: FEB. 9, 2015

Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Filed: DEC. 22, 2014

DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF MATTHEW MILLER A.K.A. MATT MILLER A.K.A. MAT-THEW JAMES MILLER CASE NO.: PR150009 To all heirs, beneficia-

ries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MATTHEW MILL-ER A.K.A. MATT MILLER A.K.A. MATTHEW JAMES **MILLER** A Petition for Probate

has been filed by: BEN MILLER AND QUINN MILLER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate

requests that: BEN MILLER

AND QUINN MILLER be

appointed as personal rep-

resentative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests

authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court

should not grant the au-A hearing on the petition will be held in this

court as follows: Date: February 19, 2015 Time: 2:00 PM Dept.: 8

Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court

before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is avail-

creditor. Yoiu may want

to consult with an attor-

ney knowledgeable in

California law.

able from the court clerk. Attorney for the petitioner: JANSSÉN MALÍ OY LLP 730 FIFTH STREET, P.O. BOX 1288 EUREKA, CA 95501

(707) 445-2071 1/21, 1/28, 2/4

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF MELINDA COOK KELLY

CASE NO.: PR150016 To all heirs, beneficia ries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MELINDA COOK KELLY a.k.a. ME-LINDA C. KELLY a.k.a.

MELINDA KELLY A Petition for Probate has been filed by: PETER LA VALLEE in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: PETER LA VALLEE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests

authority to administer

the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: February 26, 2015

Time: 2:00 PM Dept.: 8 Address of court: Superior Court of California, Countv of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written Public Health and Human objections with the court Services in the office of the before the hearing. Your

appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or

a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal

representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code. or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. Yoiu may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

> You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for the petitioner: LARRY B. NORD 518 W. CLARK STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 443-1432 1/28, 2/4, 2/11

JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF: A.S. Cause No: DN-12-30-BN

MONTANA SECOND

Youth(s) in Need of Care. CITATION THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO JEREMY RODRIGUEZ

By Order of this Court you are hereby cited and required to appear before this Court, in the County of Silver Bow, State of Montana, at the Court Room thereof at the Courthouse in said the County of Silver Bow, on the 11th day of February, 2015, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why judgment should not be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Permanent Legal Custody and Termination of Parental Rights with Right to Consent to Adoption or Guardianship filed by the Department of

Clerk of this Court. WITNESS the Hon. Brad Newman, District Judge of the state of Montana with the

seal of said Court affixed this 5th day of January, 2015. LORI MALONEY

- CLERK OF COURT J. MORGAN By: /s / Deputy Clerk **Brad Newman District** Court Judge. Second Judicial District 155 West Granite St. Butte, Montana 59701 (406) 497-6420

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE ADOPTION OF

1/14, 1/21, 1/28

ORDINANCE NO. 1439 I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2015, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1439, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Rescinding Ordinance No. 1437: Amending the Coastal Zoning Land Use Map of the City of Arcata Coastal Land Use and Development Guide (CLUDG); and Making Related Text Amendments to CLUDG Section 1-0203, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1439 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on January 21, 2015, by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Ornelas, Pereira, Wheetley NOES: None. ABSENT: Pitino (recused).

Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of Ordinance No. 1439

STENTIONS: None.

ordinance will This amend the City's certified Local Coastal Plan by (1) retaining the Public Facility (Park) land use/zoning designation over the entire Arcata Community Park; (2) retaining the Natural Protection Resources land use/zoning designations over the northeastern portion of the City's corporation yard; and (3) modifying Land Use Plan Policy IV-19 by striking the word "Heavy" so that the current policy language that provides protections for the adjoining "Heavy" industrial lands will continue to be in effect when the heavy industrial lands are rezoned for light industrial and commercial uses.

The full text of Ordinance No. 1439 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California Monday through Friday,

between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect February 20, 2015, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL. Dated: January 21, 2015. APPROVED: Michael Winkler, Mayor. ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk. 1/28

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE ADOPTION OF **ORDINANCE NO. 1452**

I hereby certify that at

a regular meeting held on January 7, 2015, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1452, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Adopting an Amendment to Section 9.44.060.B of the Land Use Code Pertaining to the Allowed Height Telecommunications Facilities, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1452 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on January 21, 2015, by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Pitino, Ornelas, Pereira, Wheetley. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.

> Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of Ordinance No. 1452

This ordinance repeals

Ordinance No. 1449 which had an error in the designation of its effective date. Ordinance No. 1452 amends the City's Land Use Code to remove the prohibitive height limitations pertaining to telecommunications facilities (towers)). It amends section 9.44.060.B.(1) to establish a height limitation, through the Use Permit process, for telecommunications facilities of a minimum functional height to facilitate co-location of at least three providers. Ordinance No. 1452 includes a correct effective date designation of "30 days after its adoption by the City Council."

The full text of Ordinance No. 1452 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect on February 20, 2015, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL. Dated: January 21, 2015. APPROVED: Michael Winkler. Mayor. ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk. 1/28

WIYOT LANGUAGE LANDSCAPE

Language Program Manager for the Wiyot Tribe Lynnika Butler will present a talk titled: "The Language of the Wiyot Landscape" at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center on Wednesday, Jan. 28 from 7 to 8 p.m. The Wiyot language is rich in descriptive terms for the native flora and fauna of the Humboldt Bay region. In this talk, Lynnika will introduce some of the linguistic and cultural features of representative Wiyot plant and animal names, native place names, and other features of the local landscape as interpreted through the Wiyot language. Sliding scale \$2 to \$5 donation requested. Meet at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane. (707) 444-1397, info@friendsofthedunes.org

AUDUBON MARSH TRIP Join Region Audubon Society on a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Jan. 31. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Ken Burton in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

FRUIT TREE & SCION EXCHANGE

The Humboldt Permaculture Guild invites you to the second annual Fruit Tree and Scion Exchange Saturday, Jan. 31 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bayside Grange. Similar to the guild's annual Seed and Plant Exchange which focuses on the free exchange of our community's seeds and plants, the Fruit Tree and Scion exchange will be a free public venue for the exchange of perennial fruit tree propagation material. Experienced fruit growers and the general public are invited to share quality graft wood (also known as scion) and talk about growing fruit in Humboldt County. The event will feature grafting demonstrations by local experts, and some varieties of rootstock available for those wanting to graft new trees. This event is free and open to the public. Bringing of scion wood or rootstock to share is encouraged but not required. (707) 672-3102, Humboldtpermaculture.wordpress.com

FOAM MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Elliott Dabill at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359.



NEW TRACT TRAIL Sounds of shovels, graders and happy voices filled the lower portions of the Arcata Ridge Trail in the Arcata Community Forest's Sunny Brae Tract Saturday morning, Jan. 24. Some 42 volunteers representing Volunteer Trail Stewards, the California Conservation Corps and Juvenile Assigned Works Program (JAWS) moved 25 cubic yards of crushed rock in wheelbarrows to armor a new section of Ridge Trail up from the Margaret Lane trailhead. They also transplanted 25 sword ferns to rehabilitate a 900-squarefoot section of an old landing, tore down an illegal camp "lean-to" and removed three cubic yards of ivy, catoneaster and holly from the forest boundary. Maureen McGarry from RSVP came through once again with plenty of food and drink for the volunteers. The next volunteer workday will be Saturday, Feb. 14 to continue removing ivy from Janes Creek between Stromberg Avenue and Hilfiker Drive with Humboldt Fish Action Council and the Humboldt State Natural Resources Club, followed by the next forest workday with the Trail Stewards on Saturday, Feb. 28.

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WINDING WAY A new trail offers a meandering, low-speed alternative to the wider, main Ridge Trail channel.















TRAIL TOILERS Some of the many volunteers who contributed the labor to readying the Ridge Trail for public use.





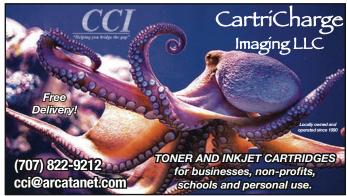




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